

Over thirty?
time to start using
HORMONE CREAM
By
Colonial Dames
HOLLYWOOD
On Sale At Leading Stores
CONTAINING 100% U.S. ESTROGEN HORMONE
SOLE AGENTS: NAN KANG CO. UNION BLDG.

For the Proprietor of
HONGKONG TELEGRAPH
For and on behalf of
SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST, LTD.
W. H. M. H. H.
Editor and Publisher

The
Hongkong Telegraph

Dine
At the
P. G.
For
Reservations Tel: 27880

VOL. III NO. 199

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1948.

Price 20 Cents

STALIN & WESTERN ENVOYS TALK FOR 4 3/4 HOURS AT KREMLIN

Not The Last Meeting

Moscow, Aug. 24.—Marshal Josef Stalin and the envoys of Britain, the United States and France ended a record-breaking conference on Germany early today after four hours and 45 minutes.

The United States Ambassador (Lt-Gen. Walter Bedell Smith), upon returning to his Embassy from the Kremlin, said there would be other meetings. Tired after the gruelling session, he refused to comment on the progress of negotiations, which are aimed at ending the East-West cold war in Germany.

General Smith said: "I am always an optimist—I hope for the best and expect the worst."

At first he refused to comment, but as he backed up the staircase of the United States Embassy, he said Marshal Stalin had provided tea and cakes for the conferees. He then disappeared into the Chancery, followed by an aide and an interpreter.

From what proved to be the longest conference in the tense-packed East-West meetings, there came not a single word as to whether any agreement had been reached. General Smith's laconic remark, as well as similar words from others, appeared to conflict with earlier speculation that agreement already had been reached. This would then have made tonight's meeting a conclusive one.

LINC CONFERENCE

Evidently the talks will be continued for an unstated period and envoys from the United States, Britain and France presumably must ask further instructions from their capitals.

At 9 p.m. Moscow time, the United States Ambassador (Lt-Gen. Walter Bedell Smith), the British envoy (Mr. Frank Robertson) and the French Ambassador (M. Yves Chataigneau) sat down with Marshal Stalin and the Soviet Foreign Minister (Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov).

Four hours and 45 minutes later—at 1.45 a.m. this morning—a tired-looking group of Western statesmen emerged and disappeared at the United States Embassy, where they refused to say anything but brief remarks.

At the Embassy, a corps of aides, stenographers and secretaries sat about during the long hours into the night, awaiting the statesmen's return. While they immediately began preparing dispatches about the meeting, the reappearance of envoys, there appeared little likelihood that any announcement regarding what actually had transpired within the bleak Kremlin walls would be forthcoming tonight.

Apparently the first job at hand for all three Western representatives was to advise their home Governments on what had transpired and to ask for instructions regarding future meetings with Marshal Stalin or Mr. Molotov, or both of them.

VERY TIRED

General Smith looked tired and worn upon his return and said he was very tired. He did state, however, that there would be other meetings. It was not easy to decide whether his worn appearance was due simply to fatigue or to an unexpected turn of events which would indicate whether other meetings would be held.

However, disappointment was clearly etched on the faces of the British and French representatives—Mr. Roberts especially—who tonight even attended a farewell party in Mr. Roberts' honour in the belief that this meeting would be the last in the current negotiations.

From questions and answers—little of the latter—thrown at the conferees at the United States Embassy, some crumbs of information were dropped. For instance, it was revealed that, except for a brief break in the talks for the host—Marshal Stalin—to present tea and cakes, the statesmen pored over problems between the Soviets and the West for uninterrupted periods.

NEWSMEN PUZZLED

General Smith's cryptic remark on the staircase—to the effect that he was always optimistic, yet prepared for the worst—puzzled Moscow's

newspapermen. There was some speculation as to whether General Smith was simply rhetorical or whether, bound by the necessity for diplomatic secrecy, he used the allusion to tell the state of affairs. Behind him Mr. Roberts and M. Chataigneau had stood silent—grimly silent.

Correspondents asked General Smith whether a communiqué would be issued immediately, to which he replied, "No comment"—that same monotonous "no comment" behind whose protective non-committal barrier General Smith has regularly taken refuge from the inquiries of newspapermen.

At times, however, General Smith himself has felt the utter uselessness of such a reply. Someone asked whether this was the last meeting and he said: "I am not certain, but I do not think so."

To another question, General Smith answered: "I am very tired."

OBSERVERS SURPRISED

London, Aug. 23.—The fact that tonight's Moscow conference apparently does not mean conclusion of the talks came as a mild surprise to Western observers, although some of them later indicated that they had believed further meetings probable.

In view of earlier reports building up the issues of tonight's meeting as largely up to Marshal Stalin himself, this appeared to indicate that Marshal Stalin may have offered new proposals.

It might be expected to indicate that the Soviet position may have changed somewhat since last week's session.—United Press.

Palestine Peace Hopes

Jerusalem, Aug. 23.—Count Folke Bernadotte will offer peace proposals for Palestine to the United Nations General Assembly next month. His announcement in Stockholm that the proposals will be included in his report on his activities as mediator between Arabs and Jews in the Holy Land came amid new Israeli peace overtures.

An Israeli Foreign Office spokesman in Tel-Aviv said Israel is prepared to undertake "separate peace talks with each of the Arab countries" and in Jerusalem, the Israeli Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, told the Inner Zionist Council that "we hope the present war will finish soon with a peace conclusion with the Arabs. They need us and we need them."

OVERTURE REJECTED

A previous Israeli bid for peace talks, transmitted through Count Bernadotte, was rejected by Egypt. A source close to the Arab League said the League also had rejected the "on on the ground the Arabs do not recognise 'any such gang as the pseudo-government of Israel' which has no international status."

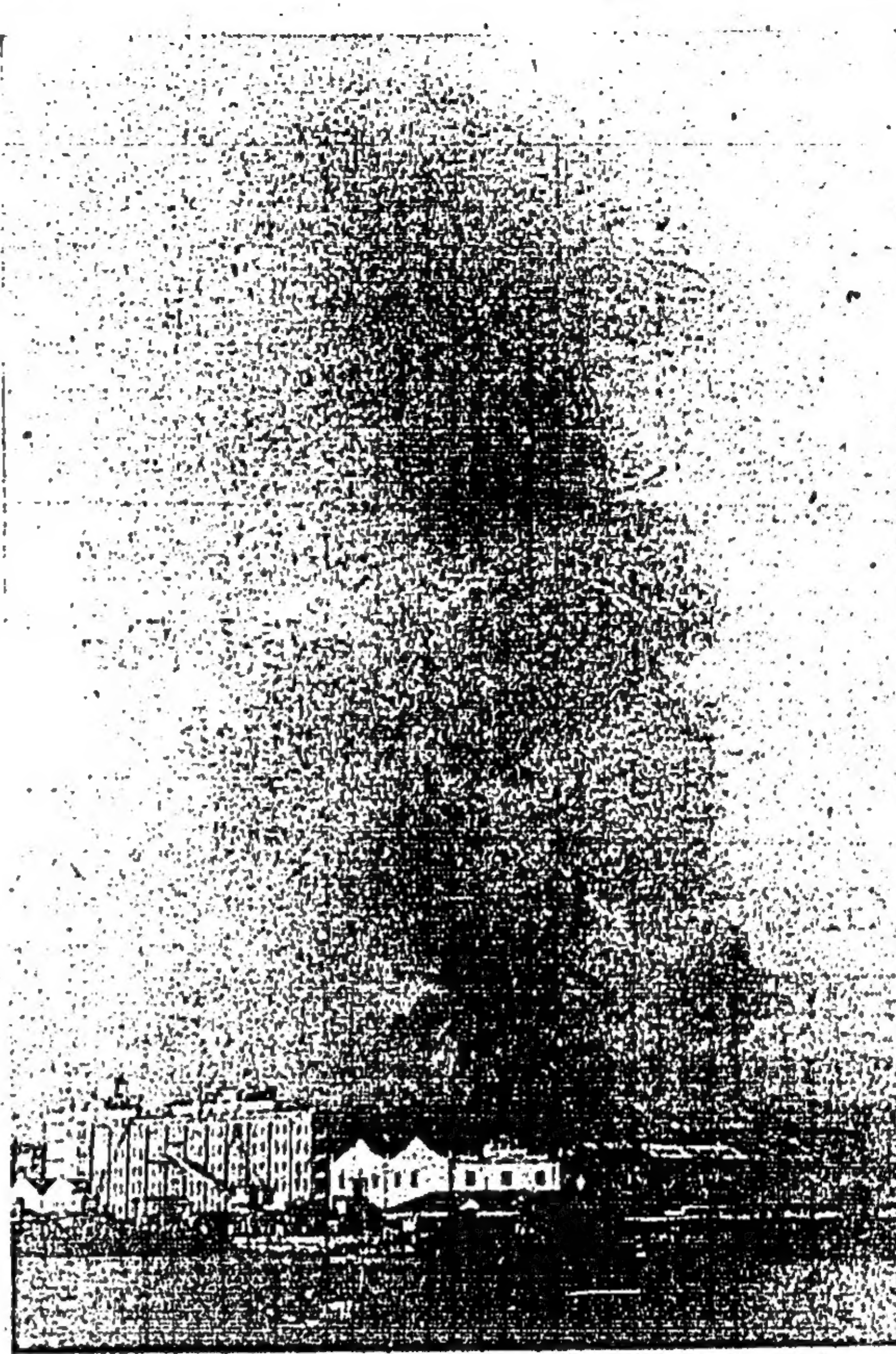
King Abdullah of Transjordan declared at that time, however, that possibilities of peace between Jews and Arabs should be considered.

The Israeli Foreign Office spokesman said if separate peace talks take place, Transjordan would be most likely the first country on the list. He would not disclose whether Transjordan or other Arab countries already had been contacted.—Associated Press.

TRAPPED IN MINE

Helena, Montana, August 23.—Police tonight reported that an undetermined number of men are trapped in a goldmine which caved in 20 miles northwest of Helena.—Associated Press.

Kowloon Godown Blaze



Loan Sought To Support Currency

Nanking Disclosure

Nanking, Aug. 24.—China has made an application to the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development for a monetary loan to support its new currency, it was learned today.

The Chinese request for the loan was transmitted to the Bank authorities by Mr. Kuo Yi-chun, financial representative in Washington.

In applying for the loan, the Chinese Government cited the precedent of the Netherlands, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, which were said to have all been granted financial loans by the International Bank when new currencies were introduced in those countries.

The Chinese subscription to the Bank is reported at \$500,000,000, which is the maximum limit of the loan if granted.—Reuter-AAP.

HOLDINGS SURRENDERED

Shanghai, Aug. 24.—Although the exact amount has not yet been revealed, large quantities of foreign currencies, gold bars, silver bullion and silver dollars were exchanged at the Central Bank all day yesterday for the new gold yuan.

A majority of those seen at the bank's counters, however, appeared to be from the middle and white collar classes.

Their holdings are said to have ranged from one tenth of an ounce to 10 or 20 ounces of gold, and from US\$5 to \$100 or \$200.

The Central Bank announced that all holders of foreign currencies, gold, silver and silver dollars should convert them into the new legal tender before September 30.

Meanwhile, commodity prices reacted with a downward trend yesterday, declining 10 percent on the average.—Reuter.

VISA REFUSED "RED" DEAN

London, Aug. 23.—The Evening Standard today announces that the Dean of Canterbury, Reverend Howlett Johnson, was informed by the United States Consul in London that he was not allowed a visa to enter USA.

The authorities disapprove of inviting an organisation of an American-Soviet friendship society. The Dean is due to fly to the United States on November 1.—United Press.

WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY FIRE

ONE MAN DIES FROM BURNS

Revised Estimate Of Losses

One pedicab driver died from his burns in the Kowloon hospital last night, a victim of the disastrous godown blaze in Canton Road yesterday, while another badly burned man is not expected to live.

Twelve men were admitted to hospital—all Chinese—and seven are still detained suffering from extensive burns.

This morning fire brigade officers inspected the scene of the fire trying to determine its cause, but could trace no evidence to warrant any definite conclusion. They refused to speculate on what might have been the cause. Mr. C. E. Terry, general manager of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company said this morning that the estimate of the damage quoted in the morning press was grossly exaggerated.

The insurance company tentatively estimated the destroyed goods to amount to about \$10,000.

Mr. Terry also disclosed that Godown "C" contained dyes and chemicals and Godown 46, paper.

He said that quite a bit could be salvaged.

The traffic department took emergency precautions this morning, diverting all vehicular traffic away from the Star Ferry approach and Canton Road.

Office workers had to leave buses at the bottom of Nathan Road and walk the rest of the way to the ferry.

The police did not lift this restriction until 10 o'clock, when it was then decided that all danger of further explosions had passed.

However, Canton Road remains closed to traffic throughout the day.

Officials said that this morning's rain helped to consolidate last night's work of the fire brigade in making the area safe from further explosions and fires.

SEAL BORDER REQUEST

London, Aug. 23.—Britain has asked Stalin to seal her frontier with East Malaysia in an attempt to halt the movement of Communist-led guerrillas, an informed Whitehall source said today.

Whitehall officials said at least five armed groups of guerrillas have been seen manœuvring few miles across the Siam border where it fringes the North Malayan province.

They say they fear an invasion by the formation where numbers range from 30 to 400 men each.

The British military authorities in Siam are considering intensifying their patrols along the frontier to stem the ebb and flow of guerrilla groups, according to the Whitehall sources.

If they decide to do so, they will find it necessary to call for still more troops—reinforcements—from Britain over and above the Guards Brigade which leaves here next month.

The British Government will certainly accede to new appeal for more manpower if the situation in Europe permits, informants added.—Associated Press.

Aust. Arms For Malaya

Canberra, Aug. 23.—Prime Minister Chifley said today Australia has shipped weapons and ammunition to Malaya where British authorities are fighting a Communist uprising.

Mr. Chifley said: "Supplies of automatic weapons and ammunition required in Malaya for the maintenance of law and order recently, have been dispatched by the Australian authorities by air and have been fully delivered."

He said that at the request of the British he could not announce a list of the equipment. He added: "Certain other types of equipment, which are being tested and examined, will also be supplied to the extent available if they are found suitable for the purpose required.—Associated Press.

Arab Commander Killed

Cairo, Aug. 23.—The Commander of the Egyptian troops in Jerusalem, Dikbashi Ahmed Abdel Aziz, has been killed, the Defence Ministry announced today.

The announcement did not give any details of his death, but said that King Farouk was "deeply affected" by the loss of this hero. The King has conferred posthumously the rank of Colonel, and title of Bey on Abdel Aziz.—Associated Press.

EIGHT KILLED IN AIR CRASH

Kinross, Morayshire, Scotland, Aug. 23.—A Royal Air Force Lancaster crashed on landing at this RAF station today, killing eight airmen.

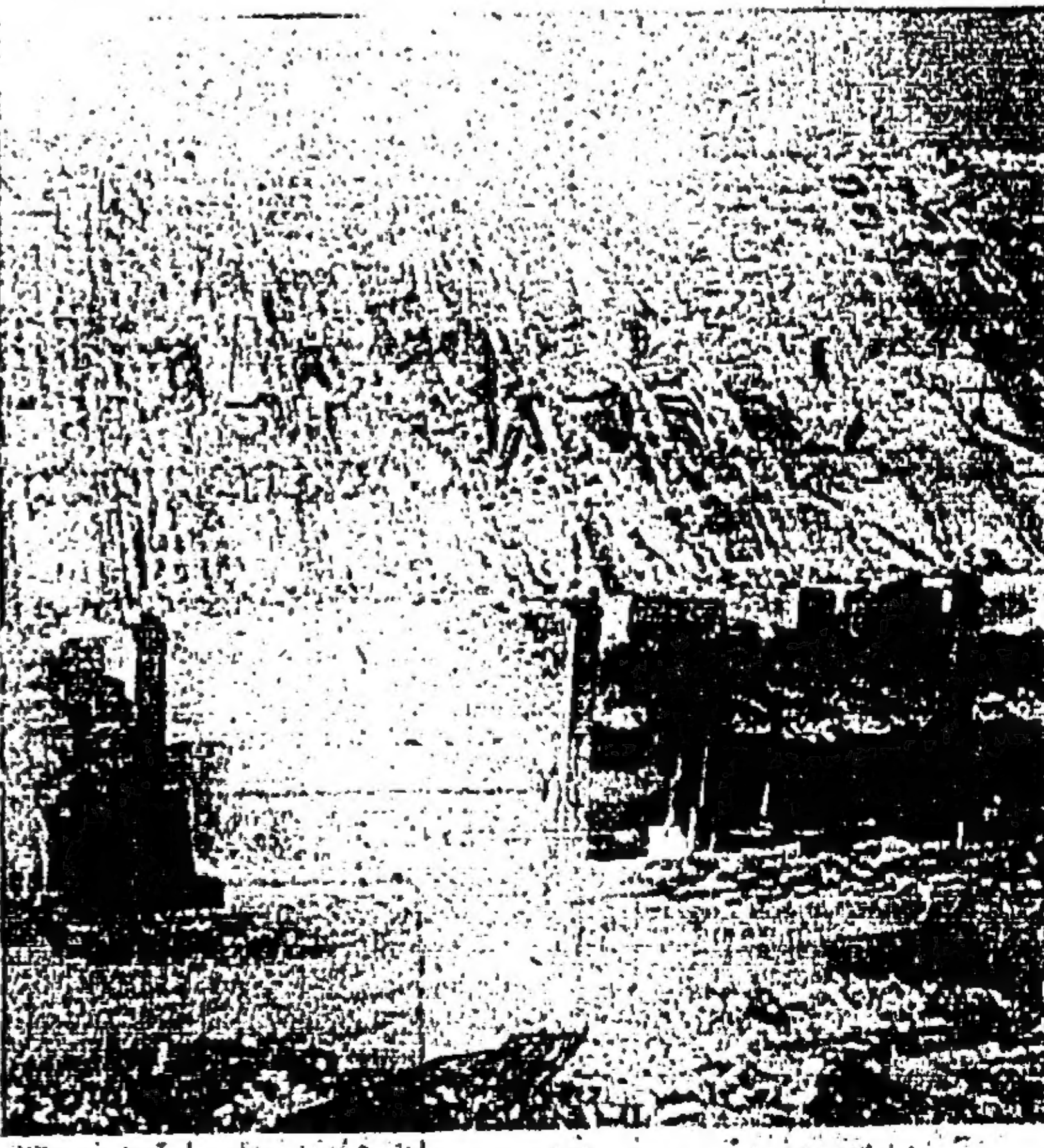
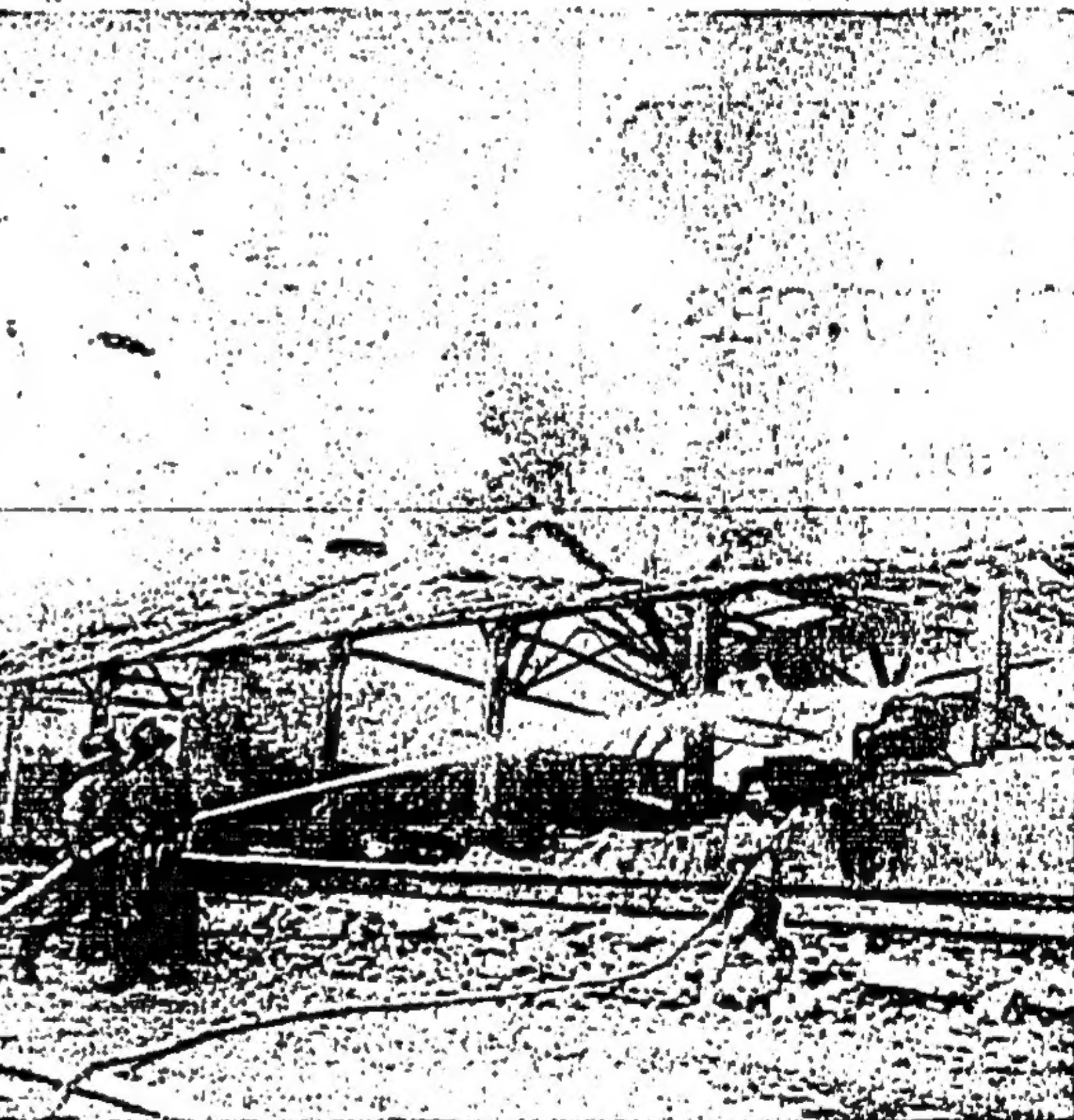
All bodies were recovered.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Prefab Housing Scheme

ANOTHER housing scheme intended to help relieve Hongkong's accommodation problem has been put forward—this time of prefabricated houses. Several of its conditions are embodied in earlier schemes, such as Government land at cheap rates and a co-operative organisation operated either by Government or by private interests not seeking profits. The two essential distinctions are that the buildings are prefabs in design and materials, and they can be built cheaper. From the point of view of speed in construction, utility values, and comparative cheapness, prefabs have gained conspicuous popularity on the Continent and today form a substantial part of Britain's rehousing plans. They have been tested and found not to be wanting. To Hongkong, where the urgency of providing accommodation is paramount, prefabs would appear to offer an opportunity for vigorously tackling the housing problem, for prefabs can be constructed and made ready for habitation in three weeks, saving considerable time on the normal brick, mortar and concrete buildings. Even more attractive is their relative cheapness, the smaller and more simple houses being placed within the means of salary earners, whereas the thirty and forty thousand dollars required for dwellings under other schemes built according to standard methods make them prohibitive to the vast majority of those who so desperately need homes. One week-end report stated that no official objections had been raised to the proposal to erect prefabricated houses in Hongkong, which is welcome news because some time ago there were some very definite official objections voiced

relative to the insecurity of such buildings in typhoon weather and our tropical rainstorms. Similar objections have been mentioned regarding Nissen huts in this Colony, although interestingly enough some of these huts have been in existence at Kai Tak since the reoccupation and have successfully withstood all the vagaries of our weather. We believe that a full-blooded scheme to import and erect prefabricated houses in Hongkong should be given the fullest official encouragement in one of two directions. Either Government should adopt the proposal for forming a co-operative society and initially financing the project, or if it still feels this should be left to private interests, then it could reduce the cost of the houses still further by allocating building sites free of charge. With such an incentive it may be possible to entice disinterested parties to organise and run a co-operative housing society on non-profit making lines. We fail to see how Government, eventually, can avoid taking a full share of responsibility in making a sound building scheme effective. At the present Government is only offering a gesture and apparently feels this is a full redemption of its obligations. But living accommodation is a problem of the many, not the few, which in consequence demands the fullest official efforts to see that every-thing possible is done to make good the housing deficiency. If, through a combination of Government, private enterprise and prefabs, dwelling houses can be made available to those who so desperately need them, then Government should not hesitate to throw its full weight of assistance into any such project. It can be done without any crippling cost to the taxpayers.



Three vivid pictures of yesterday's destructive blaze at two godowns in Canton Road. Top shows the immense column of smoke which followed the outbreak of the fire. Centre, firemen fighting desperately to put the flames under control. Above, part of a still-burning godown in which were stored drums of bitumin.—Photos by Staff Photographers.

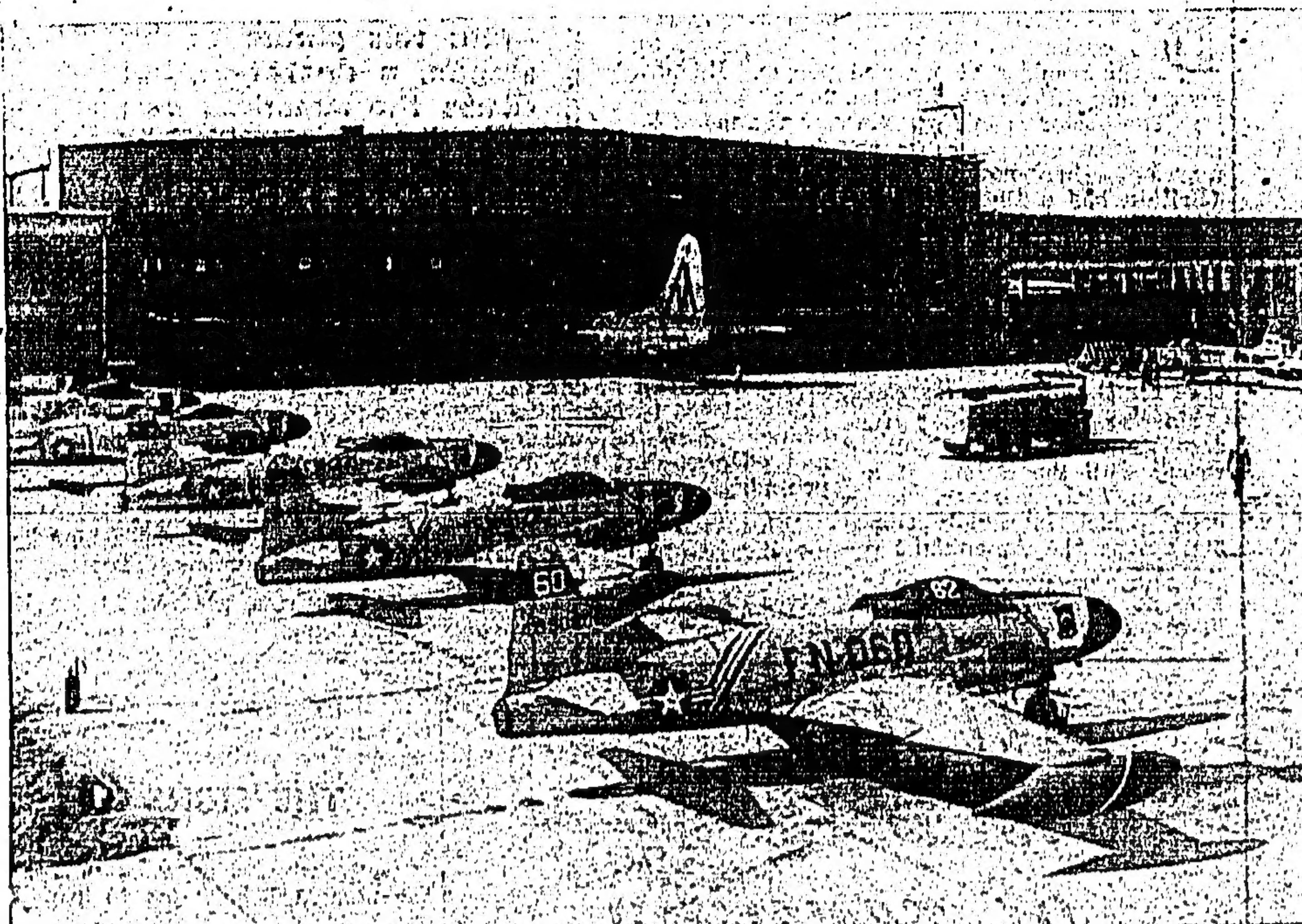
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



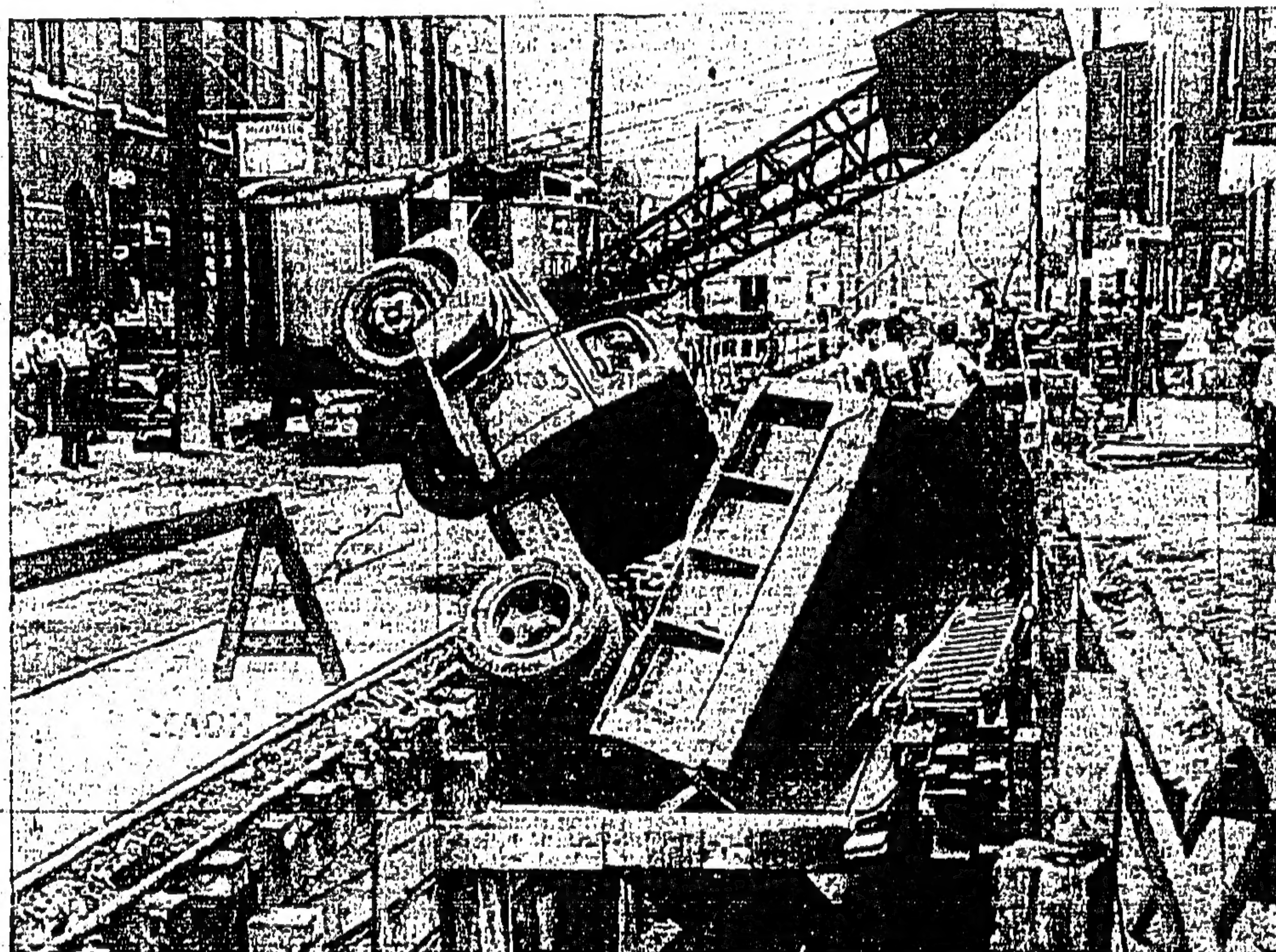
JOINING PARENTS—Arriving in Berlin despite the Soviet blockade, these British children waved joyfully to the parents they joined for a summer holiday. The party of 20 schoolchildren, ranging in age from 10 to 17, made the flight along one of the airlift corridors.



TAIL-LESS TABBY—Suey, a four-month-old Siamese kitten of Denver, Colorado, born without that all-important tail, inspects a goldfish bowl with interest. A wet paw bears evidence of "the one that got away."



MUNICH ARRIVAL—Dwarfed by the big B-29 in the hangar, some of the 16 Shooting Star jet fighters which spanned the Atlantic are lined up on the field in Munich. The planes made the flight from Michigan in easy stages, via Maine, Labrador, Greenland, Iceland, Scotland and England. Top speed exceeded 550 mph.



IN REVERSE—This truck was backed up a little bit too much, resulting in its precarious position over the brink of a working area at a Philadelphia intersection. No one was injured in the accident. A derrick released the truck from its unusual perch.



RACES DEATH—As the baby's father stands anxiously by at right, two Sacramento (California) firemen work against time to save the life of three-month-old Linda Sigston. Linda had a convulsion and stopped breathing. Rushing her to a hospital, firemen and doctors worked over Linda with a respirator for 20 minutes before bringing the baby back from death.



"BAREFOOT BOY WITH CHEEK OF TAN"—S. B. Singha of India, walking barefoot, drew a great deal of attention in the Olympic 10,000-metre walk heat at the Empire Stadium, Wembley. However, he failed to win a place.

STOCKS AVAILABLE

SHEWAN TOMES & CO. LTD. SOLE AGENTS

Gibson



ALL ABOUT PISTOLS—Anthony Wieler, left, of Surrey, England, and his pal Billy Weber, right, of West Point, N.Y., have their curiosity satisfied as Capt. Ruben G. Orezoco of Uruguay tells them about special pistols used in the Olympic modern Pentathlon event.

CADILLAC

AMERICA'S MOST DISTINGUISHED MOTOR CAR!

Product of forty-four years of progressive betterment, it is undisputed leader in all that makes a motor car a pleasure to drive and a joy to possess.

DISTRIBUTORS—

FAR EAST MOTORS LIMITED

26 Nathan Road, Kowloon
Tel. Nos. 56849 & 57250.

TO-DAY
ONLYKING'S
AIR-CONDITIONEDAT 2.30, 5.15
7.20 & 9.30 p.m.

RICHARD ATTENBOROUGH
HERMIONE BADDELEY
WILLIAM HARTNELL

BOUTLING BROTHERS Production
Brighton Rock
CAROL MARSH

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE
OLYMPIC GAMES 1948
TO-MORROW



BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

SHOWING

Queens
AIR-CONDITIONED

At 2.30, 5.10,

TO-DAY

7.20 & 9.30 p.m.

HELD OVER! DON'T MISS IT!

J. ARTHUR RANK PRESENTS

Oliver Twist

by Charles Dickens

Starring ROBERT NEWTON

and introducing

JOHN HOWARD DAVIES

as OLIVER TWIST



ADDED! SPECIAL NEWS OF THE DAY!
FIRST PICTURES: SCHOOL TEACHER'S DRAMATIC
JUMP — ALSO OLYMPIC GAMES!

ALHAMBRA THEATRE
SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.

PATRICIA BURKE · DAVID FARRAR · WALTER RILLA

Richard TAUBER
Lisbon Story
A BRITISH NATIONAL FILM
The Great Romantic & Dramatic Musical
with a Tremendous Cast
Produced by LOUIS H. JACKSON Directed by PAUL L. STEIN

ALSO THE

OLYMPIC GAMES
OF 1948

SHOWING

MAJESTIC
AT 2.30, 5.20,
7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

WHAT A DELICIOUS DILEMMA
FOR GLAMOROUS SHIRLEY...

NEXT
CHANGE

DIVORCE WON'T HELP

DR. EDMUND BERGLER, 48-year-old nerve specialist, sits in his clinic and listens to the troubles of married people. He has been doing this as a profession for 20 years. The doctor is in New York at the moment, busier than ever—because one in every three marriages there now ends in the divorce court. (Britain has a slightly better prospect for its married couples: it has been estimated that one in every four marriages ends in failure).

Dr Bergler, with hundreds of intimate case histories to form the basis of his judgment, is convinced that divorce is not a cure for the unhappy marriage.

Marriage is all right; fundamentally there is nothing wrong with the claims it imposes on each partner. In a book which is rapidly climbing among the American best-

* **DIVORCE WON'T HELP**, by Edmund Bergler, published by Harpers (New York).

By JAMES BARTLETT
sellers, Bergler deprecates the critics who run it down as an old-fashioned institution. He brands them as unscientific, and alleges that they deal in prejudices instead of facts.

Why, then, is the 1948 toll of marriage so high? Dr Bergler says: When husbands and wives hate the sight of each other, they go to the wrong

—with this phrase as his slogan, a doctor-author climbs the American best seller lists by attacking an attitude to marriage now resulting in 1,000 divorces a week in Britain

people. They go to the lawyers—when they ought to go to medical men.

In every marriage, he claims, are four people, not two. Apart from the man and woman who took out the marriage licence he sees for each of them an invisible unconscious partner.

"At the time when the bride and groom, on their honeymoon, are wondering perhaps how the marriage will turn out, the decision has already been made"—by the invisible, unconscious partners.

THE SIGNS

LISTEN to them, he says, find out what they want—and the home will be a joy to live in.

Dr Bergler admits that this might sound fantastic, but to support his case he has formidable records of the all-important No. 2 Personality of every patient he has interviewed at his clinics.

Here are some of the guide-posts to successful marriage produced by his thousands of consultations.

EVERY normal marriage is decided mainly by the wife . . .

Women treat men like naughty children. Unconsciously they reason that they can well afford to let men shout and brag or even pretend they are right. For in the end they will "see reason." "Reason," it seems, is identical with what the woman wants.

DEEP down in a man's feelings there is bitter anger over the fact that once upon a time he was completely dependent on woman.

If a man has so much resentment because a baby he had to wait for his bottle—or lie screaming in his pram until mother decided to see to him—how does he show it? By acting superior. By putting on an impressive act to prove that—apart from those exasperating childhood years—a man can do things so much better than a female.

THE HOAX

DR BERGLER reckons that that is one of the most successful hoaxes ever put over on half the population of this globe—the women.

Rising divorce rates, he claims, have come only in the last few years, when women have been

challenging this "myth of the superior male."

He argues: Quarrels arise because even the most normal men have remnants of the old infantile resentment in them.

The doctor is quite certain that his diagnosis is correct. "Other wise," he says, "the typical complaint of many a husband that he works hard to earn money and his wife spends it 'like a drunken sailor' is not explainable."

"Neither could we otherwise explain man's constant under-estimation of housework. Housework is a full-time job, and still men do not esteem it."

MAN'S greater immaturity, evident from infancy to old age, is particularly revealed in marriage.

Take even a normal married couple. Here is the young husband—not half so matter-of-fact about things as his young wife.

She has no illusions. But the young man expects from marriage "a paradise on earth, and instead he finds a series of duties (work, support of his wife, domestic complications, financial worries . . .) mingled with an infinitesimal amount of fun." Dr Bergler accepts that the ratio of duty to fun in marriage is unfavourable for fun, and argues that the trick is to make fun out of duty.

Happily married husbands learn how to do it. Others don't even try—and finally blame the wife.

The doctor balances his analysis of the failings of husbands with a set of rules. He calls them the seven Minimum Requirements for a Good Wife. Here they are:—

(1) HER husband must not be taken too seriously—but he must be seriously admired.

(2) HER husband must feel sure of her.

(3) SHE must be loyal—directing her sense of aggression towards his enemies, not towards him.

(4) SHE must listen to his troubles, console and help him if she can.

(5) SHE must accept that the money he earns is hard enough to get—without her using it as a weapon against him.

(6) SHE must not nag him if he doesn't turn out to be the Don Juan he made himself out to be before they married.

(7) SHE must realise that she is mainly responsible for the success or failure of the marriage.

THE REWARD

WHAT does the Good Wife get for obeying the rules? Dr Bergler says: A loving and devoted husband, and the double pleasure of acting as the baby of the partnership, knowing that she is the boss.

What are the rules for husbands?

Dr Bergler has the answer for that. He says: If you write a manual for mothers on how to educate their sons you do not have to write another book for the children on how to be educated.

Dr Bergler ends with this warning: "Millions are beset by the illusion that divorce will guarantee future happiness. It will rather increase their unhappiness, particularly when they discover—during the second or third marital experiment—how futile was the attempt to run away from their own inner conflict by changing husband or wife."

THE TYPEWRITER FAMINE — TWO MEN MAY HAVE THE ANSWER

TWO key German technicians have arrived in Britain from the Russian zone of Berlin, bringing with them the tricks of the typewriter trade.

A British firm plans to use them to earn dollars by breaking the world famine in typewriters.

The men are skilled at cutting from strips of steel the letters, commas, colons, and figures which go on the business end of a typewriter key.

They have been brought to London by Mr Erich Markus, a German who fled from the Nazis in 1936. He is now a partner in a London firm which is waiting for Whitehall approval to open a new factory near Brighton.

Whitehall is hardly likely to refuse. Government departments are among the biggest sufferers from the shortage. Last year they bought 9,877 typewriters and ordered 3,448 more.

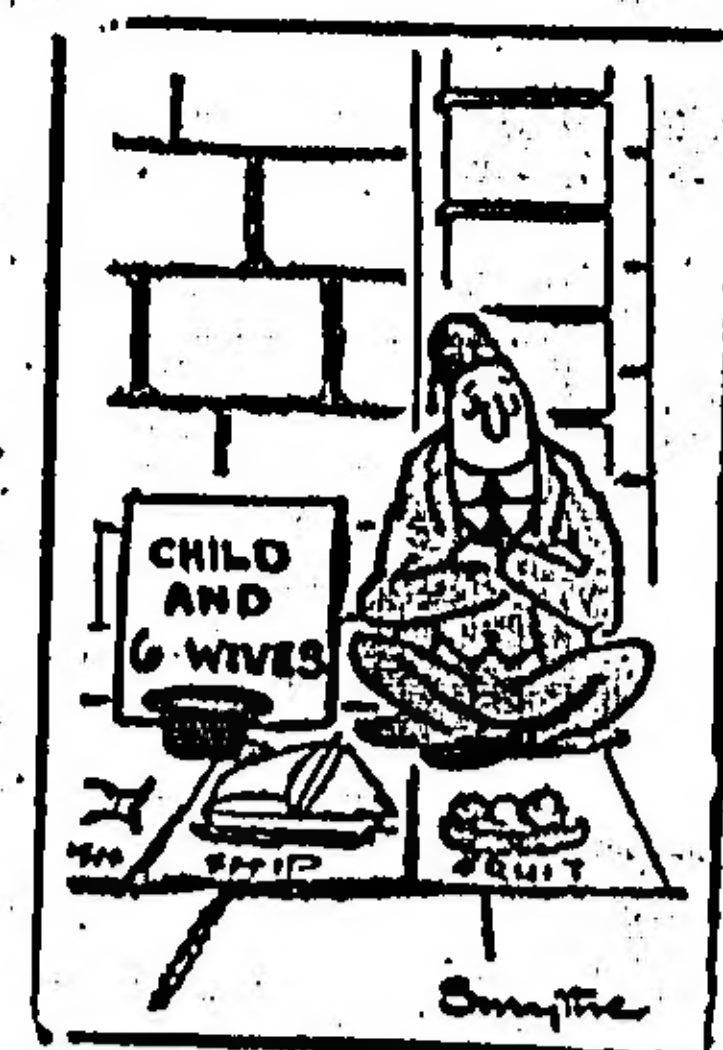
The Germans will be used to train ex-Servicemen in the art of type-cutting. Mr Markus said: "We find that men used to assembling radar or other complicated instruments are the most adaptable for training."

Before the war, Germany and America had a partial monopoly of some of the best typewriter type. Today, with dollars scarce and Germany almost out of the business, Britain is taking her chance to win the market.

Mr Markus said: "We are at present turning out 50,000 pieces a month for home and export needs. As soon as the new factory is working, we are planning to increase it to 500,000 pieces, and supply the whole of Europe."

FAMILY FOOTNOTE: The wife and daughter of one of the men who once made typewriters for the Wilhelmstrasse are already in London. The other's wife is expected shortly—and a third expert is on his way.

M. S. NUTT



PAN-AMERICAN UNION'S NEW ROLE

By HARRY W. FRANTZ

WASHINGTON. — The Pan American Union has virtually completed the task of reorganisation, and modernisation which was first recommended by the Chapultepec Conference in 1945 and implemented at the Bogota Conference this year.

New and distinguished personnel, a new building annex under construction, and enlarged budget and general atmosphere of creative purpose attest to the "streamlining" of one of the oldest and most effective international organisations.

Appointment of Raul Diaz de Medina of Bolivia as director of the new Department of Public Relations filled the fifth and last departmental directorship provided in the "blueprint" of reorganisation which is now being put into effect.

Other department heads, already on duty, are:

Dr Charles G. Fenwick, of the United States, director of the Department of International Law and Organisation; Dr Amos E. Taylor of the United States, director of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Dr Jorge Basadre of Peru, chief of the Department of Cultural Affairs; and Lowell Curtis, formerly treasurer of the Union, chief of the Department of Administrative Services.

New Appointments

Soon to be announced will be the appointment of Hernane Tavares de Sa of Brazil as director of the Division of Public Information, a branch of the Department of Public Relations primarily concerned with press, radio, motion pictures and television. A second division, responsible for publications, will be staffed at a later date.

These various appointments give the Pan-American Union the professional and executive talent needed to fulfil the varied technical tasks entrusted to the Union by various conferences of the member states, and make its plan or organization correspond to the Union's new role—approved at Bogota Conference—as the general secretariat of the "Organisation of American States."

Dr Alberto Camargo of Colombia, formerly entitled Director-General of the Pan-American Union, now bears the designation of Secretary General of the Organisation of American States. Dr William Manger, formerly assistant director of the Union, has become Assistant Secretary General of the Organisation of American States.

"The object of the Organisation of American States is to achieve an order of peace and justice on the American continent, to promote the solidarity of the member states, to strengthen their collaboration, and to defend their sovereignty, their territorial integrity, and their independence," said Dr Alberto Camargo, secretary general.

Regional Agency

The Organisation of American States is a regional agency within the United Nations, as provided for by the San Francisco Charter. In the city of Washington itself, press, diplomats and officials have awakened slowly to the real significance of the metamorphosis that has occurred in the Pan-American Union. During more than a half century of existence, the Union has been administered in a very conservative spirit, helpful to the American republics but not trespassing beyond a narrowly prescribed round of diplomatic and economic services.

In war years, inter-American relations to a considerable extent gravitated towards a United States national agency, the office of the Co-ordinator of Inter-American Affairs, directed by Nelson A. Rockefeller.

The present trend of United States policy—or at least the policy of the Congressional Appropriations Committee—has been to curtail the activities of strictly national United States agencies in other republics, but to encourage the Pan-American Union in a greater role of inter-American usefulness—United Press.

NANCY

The Worm Turns—the Trick



SIX MONTHS FOR INDECENT ASSAULT

Impassioned Plea By Defending Counsel

An impassioned plea for mercy was made by Mr C. E. Loseby (instructed by Mr C. A. S. Russ) on behalf of Hazura Singh, 35, Indian Police constable, who pleaded guilty to a count of indecent assault upon a male person in Kowloon on July 20 before Mr Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Singh was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Three other charges against Singh of gross indecency were withdrawn, the Crown offering no evidence.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) prosecuted, assisted by Det. Insp. C. Downman.

Evidence of accused's service with the Hongkong Police Force was given by Mr R. Halgh-Brown (ASP), Staff Officer of Police HQ, who said Singh joined the Force in July, 1937, and served up to the cessation of hostilities. Prior to this time, accused was an officer in the 4/8 Punjab Regiment.

"VERY GOOD RECORD"

Singh was interned for about eight months and then released during the Japanese occupation. Mr Halgh-Brown continued. Shortly after the re-occupation accused was repatriated but returned to the Colony on January 22 this year. "He has a very good record, there is nothing known against him," witness concluded.

Pleading for mercy on behalf of accused, Mr Loseby said he was obliged to the Prosecution for the merciful view they had taken in the case. Counsel said he had taken a certain responsibility in the case that caused him some anxiety, because accused persisted in question, by reason of his drunkenness, his mind was a total blank between 11 p.m. and 1.40 a.m., and that he could not remember having seen the boy in question until he saw him in the Police Court. It would be wrong for him to disguise or attempt to disguise that there was on the record definite evidence of consciousness, however blurred that consciousness might be, at the material time.

It was in his submission, a matter of importance in this case, that a calculated assault of a grave nature, or incident—a disgusting incident—fortunately without grave consequences by a man with a good past career on an unfortunate night when he was disgustingly and revoltingly drunk.

"This is a somewhat exceptional case in which your Lordship can use mercy," Mr Loseby said. He referred to accused's own story coupled with the evidence given for the prosecution which in effect said that accused's demeanour on the night in question was unusual, that he was so rude and hostile as if his mind was affected by something that he was put in the cage in the Charge Room, that his conduct was excitable and that he was so drunk as to be incoherent.

A HUMBLE MAN

Accused was a man who joined the Police Force in 1937, Counsel continued, and by reason of his services he was interned by the Japanese. He had a very good record during the time he was in the Force. "I do not think that you will have any doubt that this was a man, a humble man, but a man of the type and kind of whom the Police Force might have been proud," Mr Loseby declared. Counsel did not think the Lordship would have any doubt that accused had, whilst intensely proud himself of being a member of that Police Force, a good record over the whole period of time he had served in it.

The whole of accused's hopes was centred round the Police Force from which he would inevitably be dismissed with ignominy.

No one knows better than he did, Counsel continued, how happy the judges and magistrates of this Colony were and would be, under any circumstances, when they could extend mercy or take a merciful view if they could. "No one appreciates better than I do the life in the present condition in this place, how difficult it is, because justice has to be done, decency has to be enforced, but I do ask your Lordship if a time does not come in the life of any man when he is entitled to ask for something of a balance sheet to be taken," Counsel asked.

He asked his Lordship to take the view that the present case was not a bad one, that the offence was committed without calculation and premeditation, and that the incident on that night was a blot in the life of accused, which although highly reprehensible, little harm appeared to have been done. Counsel said he had sufficiently indicated to the Court his plea for mercy in an exceptional case, in view of the exemplary reputation of accused.

MERCIFUL AS POSSIBLE

In passing sentence, his Lordship said he had carefully considered all that accused's Counsel had urged on his behalf and he realised that the charge against accused now was one of indecent assault which was unconnected with the other earlier charges. His Lordship considered also that at the time accused committed the offence his passion was inflamed by drink.

but he could not accept the plea that he knew nothing of what he did. He would not be doing his duty to the public if he failed to pass a prison sentence on him, but he would make it as merciful as possible in the circumstances.

HIT A BUS CONDUCTOR

H.K. Training Unit Member Fined

A member of the Hongkong Training Unit of Argyle Street Camp, Ng Kam-cheung, was this morning fined \$15 and bound over in \$50 for six months by Mr Wicks at Kowloon for assaulting a bus conductor, Lui Ching.

Another member of the same corps, L/Cpl Lau Yiu-kan, was remanded for three days in military custody on a charge of criminal intimidation of another bus conductor, Chan Chuen.

According to Sub-Inspector Matches, the accused Ng and a party of about 150 members of the corps boarded a bus in Kowloon on Saturday night. The bus was full and the soldiers had some argument with the conductor over their fares. Ng assaulted the conductor just before alighting at the camp.

STONES AT POLICE CAR

This was reported to the Police who went to the camp and arranged an identification parade. During this time, a stone was thrown at the Police car standing beyond the wired boundary of the camp. The conductor failed to identify anyone and as the Police car left, more stones were thrown at it.

The following day the Commanding Officer, Major Soper, lined up his men and asked whether any were connected with the bus incident. The accused Ng, admitted that he had had a quarrel with the conductor. At another identification parade, the conductor picked out Ng.

Major Soper told the Magistrate that Ng had been in the army for three months and was an extremely good soldier who had committed no offence hitherto. He had owned up before he was identified and had explained that he assaulted the conductor who called him names because of the British uniform he wore.

Austin Motor Co. Strike

Birmingham, Aug. 23.—Shop stewards at the Austin Motor Company's factory where 15,000 workers have been idle for five days today issued a statement refusing to accept reduced earnings where the production was increased through new engineering techniques.

The stewards met at the factory today to consider the strike, which is costing the company an estimated £2,125 a day in American and Canadian contracts. They announced that they would call a mass meeting near the plant tomorrow morning.

They said the dispute arose two months ago over the introduction of new methods of production in two machine shops. The management based the operators' wages on the time taken by demonstrators. The stewards claimed that this was a "flagrant breach" of agreement. They estimated it would mean a reduction in pay of 25/- to 30/- for each operator concerned. "While the shop stewards accept the policy of increased production through engineering technique, they cannot accept the position of reduced earnings whilst increasing production," the stewards said.—Reuter.

DRUNK WITH A BLACK EYE

Appearing at Kowloon this morning with a black eye, Chan Chiu-chor, 25, quietly admitted a charge of being drunk in the streets of Kowloon City.

Sub-inspector Evans said the accused was found by two constables lying in the roadway on Sunday evening. He got up and staggered to and fro, being more of a danger to himself than anything else.

Mr Wicks: How did he get that black eye?

Inspector Evans: I don't know. He has been sent to hospital. A medical chit certified that the accused suffered from acute alcoholism.

He was fined \$20.

War Criminal's Last Words

Sub-Lieut. Sagejima whose given name was Mangan was hanged at Stanley Gaoi at 7 o'clock this morning.

He was condemned to death with P. O. Hoyma Kenzo and a civilian, Kohama Shozuko, for the murder of the Rev. Leonard Kentish, an Australian missionary, at Aroe Island on February 5, 1943.

Hoyma and Shozuko had their sentences commuted to life imprisonment.

Just as he was about to be hanged Sagejima turned to the observers and said, "I thank you. Peace and prosperity to the British Empire."

EXPEDITION TO MAP ANTARCTIC

Norway's Invitation To Britain

London, Aug. 23.—The Foreign Office is considering an invitation from the Norwegian Government for British participation in a new Antarctic expedition starting next year.

The suggestion is for a joint Norwegian-Swedish-British scientific expedition into Queen Maud's land in the Norwegian sector of the Antarctic.

It is expected to yield better scientific results than any of the previous expeditions in the Antarctic according to the originator of the plan, Swedish professor, G. Ahlmann.

The project received unanimous support from Norway's Parliament earlier last month.

FREE TRANSPORTATION

Official Norwegian quarters stated that the Norwegian whaling companies and the Royal Norwegian Air Force will give full support to the expedition. The Air Force is at present carrying out experiments to discover a suitable type of aircraft for the expedition.

The plan is to transport the expedition's equipment to the Antarctic in autumn of next year and land its members on Queen Maud's land in February 1950. Transportation will be supplied free by the Norwegian whaling companies.

Major General Rissler Larsen who was to have led the expedition, is now not likely to carry out the task because of his appointment as chief of the Norwegian Air Lines. No successor has so far been appointed, but it is planned that Captain John Glawer will lead that part which will stay the winter in Queen Maud's land.

AERIAL MAPPING

The latest experiences of the other expeditions will be closely studied and made use of, including probably the explorations of the Falkland Islands dependencies earlier this year. Some British sledging equipment was reported to have proved its worth then as well as American aircraft including the twin-engine Beechcraft plane for aerial photography and the L-type reconnaissance plane. For supply, the Canadian Norseman aircraft proved successful according to the latest report of that expedition.

The new Antarctic expedition proposes to map from the air as much as possible of the interior of Queen Maud's land and expects to find the solution to the problem of atmospheric changes.

It is suggested that the expedition spend two winters in the Antarctic and return to Europe in the second half of 1952.—United Press.

PLAN FOR MAINTENANCE OF WORLD PEACE

Warsaw, Aug. 23.—Some 500 artists, scientists and intellectuals are scheduled to meet on Wednesday in Warsaw to outline a programme for the maintenance of world peace.

The four-day discussions are jointly sponsored by the Polish-French Committee with UNESCO's Mr Julian Huxley and Madame Irene Joliot Curie alternately presiding.

The United States delegation includes sculptor J. O. Davidson, Professor Otto Nathan who is assistant to Professor Einstein, Mr John Rogers, former member of the Department of Justice who is bringing Mr Henry Wallace's recorded speech, radio commentator Arthur Gaeth, Freda Kirchway of the magazine, Nation, chairman of the New York Bar Association, Mr Hermann Koffman, and radio critic Saul Common.

Russia will send 22 delegates including the bitter-tongued critic, Ilya Ehrenburg.

The Mexican delegation includes artists, Leopold Mendet and architect Raoul Cacho. Republican Spain will be represented by astronomer Professor Honorato Castro and Manuel Marquez. Most of the other delegates are from Europe, including a heavy British representation.

The Polish President, M. Moleslaw Blerut, in a message to the congress

Resolution Deplores Soviet Marriage Ban

Geneva, Aug. 23.—The United Nations Economic and Social Council Organisation today adopted the Chilean resolution "deploring" the laws forbidding freedom for women to choose their husbands and leave their countries to reside abroad.

The resolution was aimed at the Soviet refusal to allow its women married to Chilean diplomats or British businessmen to join their husbands outside Russia. It led to a bitter debate lasting five hours in which Russia's delegate, Mr A. P. Pavlov, tried in vain to get the Council to pass a resolution condemning the prohibition of marriage between those of different races.

Mr Pavlov withdrew the amendment after the United Kingdom delegate, Mr A. M. Morgan succeeded in getting it amended further so that it would also deplore the laws against marriages between persons "of different citizenship."

The Council approved the Chilean amendment by 14 to three and one abstention. The United States and Britain were for, while Russia, Poland and Byelo-Russia were against it.

Mr Pavlov tried unsuccessfully to push through the amendment condemning restrictions on marriage by "military or civilian organization." He implied this was aimed at the United States and other countries which "forbid consular officials to marry foreigners."

RIGHTS FOR WOMEN

The Council also approved resolutions passed earlier by the Human Rights Committee for equal economic and political rights for women and deplored the laws against inter-racial marriage. The Soviet resolution defeated this morning asked for the condemnation of this "racial practice" as distinguished from racial legislation on marriage.

Mr Pavlov also failed to have the amendment adopted which would allow the state to refuse exit visas to one of its citizens on the grounds of "public order and state security."

The final text is: "The Economic and Social Council deplores all legislative measures which forbid mixed marriages between persons differing as to colour, race, nationality, or religion and in general such other legislation or administrative provisions as to restrict freedom to choose a spouse with the exception of restrictions based on family relationship, age, and the nature of functions being exercised other than reasons as well as those provisions which deny to the woman the right to leave her country or origin to reside with her husband in any other country."

The amended version was introduced by Mr Hermann Santa Cruz.—United Press.

More Babies Surviving Birth

Washington, Aug. 23.—The United States Public Health Service said today that tremendous progress has been made in the last 11 years in improving conditions under which American babies are born.

The agency reached the conclusion by comparing vital statistics for 1946, the most recent year for which a complete report is available, and 1935, the first year in which full figures were kept.

During the 11-year period the percentage of babies delivered in hospitals more than doubled. The number of births not attended by physicians dwindled just as sharply. In 1946, 82.4 per cent of all live births occurred in hospitals; in 1935 the proportion was 36.9 per cent.

The number of deliveries attended by physicians outside of hospitals was 12.2 per cent of the total in 1946, and 50.6 per cent in 1935.

The percentage of births not attended by physicians dwindled from 12.1 per cent in 1935 to 5.4 per cent in 1946.—United Press.

Geneva Agreement

America's Latest Proposal

Geneva, Aug. 23.—The United States proposed today that the Western zones of Germany be made parties to the Geneva agreement on tariffs and trade.

At the same time the U.S. asked the contracting states to give preference to former Japanese mandated islands administered by the United States.

Both proposals were put before the current second session of the 22 contracting states to the agreement and are to be discussed in detail later this week.

Extension of the agreement to Germany would mean that the 22 contracting states would apply the same tariffs to German goods as they apply to each other. In addition, it would probably authorize direct tariff negotiations between Western Germany and each of the contracting states with regard to specific commodities.

This principle, if accepted, would be a further step in the creation of a separate Western German State and the only Communist controlled contracting state, Czechoslovakia, made a vigorous protest against the American proposal.

"LEGALLY IMPOSSIBLE"

Mr Zdenek Augenthaler, the Czech delegate, declared that the application of the Geneva Agreement to Western Germany was "legally impossible" and beyond the competence of the contracting parties. Such action could not be taken until the peace treaty had been signed, the Czech delegate declared. Until then, each occupation power should deal separately on tariff questions.

The U.S. alternate delegate, Mr William Marburg, said that at present the American taxpayer was compelled to pay dollars against duties levied on exports from the Western zones. The American people would be "correct" in this situation, Mr Marburg explained.

The proposal, if accepted, would give the foreign trade of the Western zone considerable advantages over the Russian zone. The Soviet Union is not a party to the agreement and neither the Russians nor the contracting states themselves would be likely to agree to the Eastern zone's independent accession.

Acceptance of the American proposal would, however, create a precedent for a similar accession to the agreement by Japan even in the absence of a Japanese peace treaty.—Associated Press.

Peace Outlook In Indo-China

Paris, Aug. 23.—Nine-tenths of the resistance fighting in Indo-China will cease when the unity and independence of the country is proclaimed, a spokesman for Emperor Bao Dai said here today.

The spokesman said that the forces now fighting against the French would cease fire and rally around the "strong Government as soon as it gives sufficient guarantees behind it."

The spokesman said that the former Annamite Emperor Bao Dai was very pleased with the present Government's strong position in backing up the French High Commissioner in Indo-China, M. Emile Bollaert, who recently reached an accord with Emperor Bao Dai providing for a Viet Nam republic within the framework of the French Union.—United Press.

ZBW RADIO

8.15 P.M. Programme Summary: 8.01, Children's Story; 8.15, Tummy Trouble; 8.30, The Story of the World; 8.45, The Story of the World; 9.00, The Story of the World; 9.15, The Story of the World; 9.30, The Story of the World; 9.45, The Story of the World; 10.00, The Story of the World; 10.15, The Story of the World; 10.30, The Story of the World; 10.45, The Story of the World; 11.00, The Story of the World; 11.15, The Story of the World; 11.30, The Story of the World; 11.45, The Story of the World; 12.00, The Story of the World.

FOG PARALYSES TRANSPORT

Buenos Aires, Aug. 23.—Air, land and sea transport has been dislocated by a maelstrom of dense fog which has been trying over the River Plate and Central Argentina for the past three days.

Only four of 29 ships expected came into port yesterday. Most air flights were cancelled. A Scandinavian Airlines plane, due here yesterday with a Danish trade mission, was still detained at Porto Alegre, Brazil, today and is not expected until tomorrow at the earliest.—Reuter.

CENTRAL THEATRE
270 QUEEN'S RD. CENTRAL. PHONE 25720
TO-DAY ONLY AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.

A whole new world of adventure and romance lay before their swords!

"THE MARK OF ZORRO"
TYRONE POWER

COMMENCING TO-MORROW

"ENEMY OF WOMEN"
WOODS, DRAKE, WARNER, ANDOR, MORGAN

SPECIAL ADDED!!!
OPENING OF OLYMPIC GAMES 1948.
THE PARADE.
THE KING DECLARES OPEN THE GAMES.
THE ARRIVAL OF THE OLYMPIC FLAME.
TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS BEGIN.
ZATOPK WINS THE 10,000 METRES.

LEE THEATRE
ADVANCE BOOKING OFFICE: MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.
BOOKING HOURS: 11.00 A.M. TO 5.00 P.M.
FINAL SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.

"WHAT'S THE FUNNIEST THING ON EIGHT LEGS?"
THE ANSWER IS "TWIN BEDS"

EDWARD SMALL presents
George BRENT • Joan BENNETT
"Twin Beds"

MISCHA AUER

ALSO
OLYMPIC GAMES 1948
NEWSREEL NO. 2
TO-MORROW
J. ARTHUR RANK PRESENTS
Jean SIMMONS • Ursula JEANS • Cecil PARKER
IN

"THE WOMAN IN THE HALL"

ORIENTAL AIR CONDITIONED
TAKE ANY EASTERN TRAM CAR OR HAPPY VALLEY BUS
TO-DAY ONLY AT 2.30, 5.00, 7.20, 9.30 P.M.
A SPECTACULAR ADVENTURE DRAMA

M-G-M'S **"GREEN DOLPHIN STREET"**
STARRING
Lana Turner
VAN DONNA RICHARD
HEFLIN-REED-HART

TO-MORROW: "MINE OWN EXECUTIONER"

COUNTY CRICKET

GLAMORGAN'S BID FOR WINNING POINTS

London, Aug. 23.—Glamorgan, the championship leaders, struck a blow for vital points against Hampshire today by building up a commanding first innings score and taking six cheap Hampshire wickets in the last 75 minutes.

How They Stand At Close Of Play

This is how the six leading counties stood at close of play yesterday in the concluding phase of the fight for the county cricket championship:

County	Points To Date	Current Opponents	Score Opp.	Score To Play	Games Left
Glamorgan	140	Hants	315	50/0	0
Derby	138	Lancs	193 & 245/6	0	0
Surrey	144	Msex	193 & 450/5	2	2
Yorks	140	Somerset	130/3	253	2
Middlesex	130	Surrey	450/5	193 & 130/3	1
Lancashire	140	Derby	245/6	63/3	0

Glamorgan's batting was sound if not spectacular. A. Dyson, E. Davis and W. Jones all combining an excellent defence with the ability to punish any ball short of a length. Only McCook showed ability to cope with some devastating slow bowling by Glamorgan when Hampshire went in.

The Test selector, J. C. Clay, in particular, was deadly, capturing three wickets at a cost of only six runs apiece in half a dozen overs. Surrey's championship hopes were dealt a further blow by Middlesex at Lords today. Middlesex declared at Saturday's total and dismissed Surrey in three hours 40 minutes, making them follow on 257 runs behind.

At the close, Surrey, with seven second innings wickets standing, required 121 runs to avoid an innings defeat. Jim Sims, the 44-year-old slow spin bowler, was in line form for the champions, taking five of the first six wickets for 27 runs and, in all, claiming seven for 58.

The scores at the end of today's county cricket matches were: At Northampton: Essex, 208 for six. Rain prevented further play after lunch. Northamptonshire to bat.

At Lords: Middlesex 450 for five declared, Surrey 193 (Sims 7 for 58) and 136 for three (Fishlock not out 83).

At Gloucester: Gloucestershire 443 (Allen 148, Lambert 68), Essex 248 for six (Oakes not out 53, Bartlett not out 57).

At Manchester: Lancashire 245 for six declared (Howard 145); Derbyshire 63 for three (Watson 50).

At Leicester: Nottinghamshire 212 (Winrow 73, Welsh five for 75, Leicestershire 257 for seven (Watson 68, Berry 62, Prentice 50).

Australian Averages

BATTING:

Innings	Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
D. G. Bradman	20	4,197	187	87.13
A. R. Morris	20	1,821	200	67.54
S. J. Loxton	17	846	169	60.42
A. L. Hassett	22	1,085	139	50.16
S. G. Barnes	22	1,209	200	57.57
H. N. Harvey	22	1,001	170	45.50
K. R. Miller	22	793	202	35.80
R. A. Hamence	18	414	92	27.60
R. Lindwall	16	375	77	26.78
D. A. Slogdars	11	201	104	23.12
D. Tait	11	250	53	23.00
C. L. McCool	15	295	76	24.38
I. W. Johnson	19	377	80	25.27
D. Ring	13	411	53	17.62
W. A. Johnston	15	160	29	10.60
E. R. H. Toshack	12	78	20	6.60

*Not out. Averages are up to August 17 only.

BOWLING:

Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
R. A. Hamence	42.3	115	10	17.00
R. Lindwall	46.3	116	10	17.20
K. R. Miller	36.4	95	8	17.27
W. A. Johnston	73.1	241	14	17.28
C. L. McCool	32.2	84	8	18.40
I. W. Johnson	57.0	197	13	19.17
S. J. Loxton	50.2	171	11	21.12
E. R. H. Toshack	30.1	104	7	21.85
D. Ring	44.1	123	10	22.53
A. R. Morris	29	8	2	38.00
S. G. Barnes	57.4	24	3	46.66

*Not out. Averages are up to August 17 only.

County Cricket Averages

BATTING:

Innings	Not Out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
Washbrook	31	1,000	200	70.37
Hutton	33	1,933	176	69.33
T. N. Pearce	34	1,648	211	57.33
Fagg	39	1,003	167	54.52
Craig	37	1,659	127	53.51
D. Compton	40	1,839	147	53.11
Robertson	45	1,339	100	45.27
Ilkin	41	1,233	147	47.07
W. J. Edrich	40	1,630	108	45.60
Dollery	40	1,515	107	44.55
W. E. Borer	38	1,404	212	44.30
James Langridge	38	1,337	111	43.12
Hardstaff	28	1,072	182	42.88
Brookes	45	1,071	179	41.54
J. G. Dowes	37	1,371	184	41.77
Fishlock	43	1,086	283	41.12
Ames	38	1,388	123	40.82

*Not out. Averages are up to August 17 only.

BOWLING:

Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. A. Young	88.1	393	18	17.01
Bailey	82.5	324	17	17.10
C. H. Pope	60.8	171	10	17.10
Munter	1,004.1	325	2,202	13.1
Glavin	806.5	222	1,832	10.6
Prithard	801.1	208	2,524	14.0
Wardle	1,020.2	307	2,253	12.3
Hollies	1,083.3	309	2,275	12.4
Hazell	842.1	286	1,706	12.4
Walsh	886.1	148	2,541	13.2
Nutter	663	148	1,708	13.2
V. E. Jackson	828.1	204	1,814	13.2
A. V. Bedser	831.2	211	2,123	13.2
Cook	858.2	240	2,137	13.2
Goddard	952.4	240	2,270	13.2
Pollard	1,085.3	339	2,270	13.2
Perks	810.1	222	1,980	13.2

*Not out. Averages are up to August 17 only.

NO LACK OF SPIRIT



The shinguarded legs of Catcher Andy Semnick of the Philadelphia Phillies dangle in the air as he nosedives into field box at Ebbets Field, New York, to catch foul from bat of Brooklyn's Gil Hodges. Dodgers won 5 to 2.—AP Wirephoto.

BILLIARDS ASSOCIATION MAY BE REVIVED

Resuscitation of the old Hongkong Billiards Association is being mooted.

In fact the movement has advanced to the stage when it is proposed to call a meeting of sports clubs early in September to discuss formation of an Association whose first aims will be to organise a billiards and snooker league, Colony championships and Interport matches.

The enthusiast behind this project is Mr F. C. R. Wiggins, who already has the promised support of a number of clubs and who has drafted in preparation for the public meeting a constitution for the proposed Association.

Mr Wiggins is confident that a minimum of 20 clubs will be sufficiently interested to join the Association and to enter teams in the league.

He envisaged a league of two divisions and, later, Colony championships. He feels certain that a sufficiency of talent is available in Hongkong to find teams worthy to pit against the best which Singapore, Shanghai and Manila can put up.

The meetings which is to be called early next month, will be asked first to agree to the formation of a Hongkong Billiards Association and then to approve, or, if thought fit, to amend, the draft constitution. Entries for the league will be called for shortly after the Association has been formed. Club secretaries will be notified of the date of the proposed meeting through advertisements in the newspapers.

MCC Tour Of South Africa

The MCC touring team, which, under the captaincy of F. G. Mann, leaves England on October 7, will play five Test Matches, each of four days' duration, in South Africa next winter.

The full fixture list is:

- Oct. 26 to Nov. 1.—v. Western Province at Capetown.
- Nov. 3-4.—v. County Districts at Robertson.
- Nov. 13 to 16.—v. Griqualand West at Kimberley.
- Nov. 19 to 22.—v. Orange Free State and Basutoland at Bloemfontein.
- Nov. 26 to 29.—v. Natal at Durban.
- Dec. 3 to 6.—v. Northeast Transvaal at Pretoria.
- Dec. 7 to 9.—v. Combined Transvaal XI at Benoni.
- Dec. 10 to 13.—v. Transvaal at Johannesburg.
- Dec. 16 to 20.—First Test Match at Durban.
- Dec. 22 to 23.—v. Natal County Districts at Ladysmith.
- Dec. 27 to 30.—Second Test Match at Johannesburg.
- Jan. 1 to 5.—Third Test Match at Capetown.
- Jan. 8 to 11.—v. East Province at Port Elizabeth.
- Jan. 15 to 18.—v. Border at East London.
- Jan. 21 to 24.—v. Transvaal at Johannesburg.
- Jan. 29 to Feb. 1.—v. Rhodesia at Bulawayo.
- Feb. 4 to 7.—v. Rhodesia at Salisbury.
- Feb. 12 to 16.—Fourth Test Match at Johannesburg.
- Feb. 16 to 22.—v. Natal XI at Maritzburg.
- Feb. 25 to 28.—v. Natal at Durban.
- March 5 to 9.—Fifth Test Match at Port Elizabeth.
- March 12 to 15.—v. West Province at Capetown.

Nepalese Prince In Golf Match

Kilmarnock, Aug. 23.—Rajkumar Pitamber, a prince of Nepal, who is at Westminster School, London, assisted England to beat Scotland by eight matches to two, with two halved, in the annual Boss International golf match here today.

Pitamber, partnered by R. P. Carter, of Haverhill, halved his four-some against A. Pinkerton, of Troon, and W. G. Gardner, of Edinburgh, but in the singles he lost to Pinkerton by seven and six.

England won two of the four-somes, with two halved, and took the singles by six matches to two.—Reuter.

Crazy Gang Antics At Wembley

BY ARCHIE QUICK

If Bud Flanagan, the rest of the Crazy Gang, and Sid Field were to stage all that happened in one day at the Wembley Olympic Games boxing, it would be a riot. Never have I watched such fantastic happenings in the world of sport.

Its tempo was set when an Argentinian bantamweight, Pares, was declared three ounces overweight. By Olympic rules he could reduce but must not leave the scales. So whilst he was on them, his handlers massaged him, towelled him down, scraped the soles of his feet, dusted scales and out of his hair in great chunks, but still he could not make it.

Olympic officials, confusing him with another Argentinian, flyweight Perez, announced that he was disqualified, and South African Desmond Williams was given a walk-over.

Then an Argentinian official had an idea that the scales might be wrong.

1/100 OZ

They were by a hundredth of an ounce. Williams, whom it did not really concern, waived his right to a walkover, and Pares, who had another hour in which to reduce, this time beat the scales. In the ring, Williams got a hiding from Perez, and Pares was beaten by Australian Carruthers, but further complications arose as the Hungarians, whose bantam representative in the next round had to meet Carruthers, lodged a protest over the mix-up.

In the Carruthers-Pares fight we had the spectacle of the referee calling a doctor into the ring during the progress of a bout to examine Pares' cut eye and when the fight was allowed to continue, Carruthers, too, sustained a cut eye which necessitated three stitches.

NOT QUITE ALL

As if this were not all, we saw the president of the jury of appeal publicly expostulate, against the referee's decision whilst that official was in the ring. The fun was not yet over for, at the end of the day, when Uruguayan Alves lost a decision to the American negro, Johnson, he was carried shoulder-high from the ring by weeping, shouting supporters, taken into the judges' box and dumped on the jury of appeal table whilst the crowd shouted and threw missiles.

For this exhibition, several members of the Uruguayan party were carpeted. Add to this the me-

Baseball

New York, Aug. 23.—In a marathon struggle packed with all the colour and tension of the World Series, Boston Braves edged Brooklyn Dodgers 3-2 today in the 14th inning and took a tighter grip on first place.

A crowd of 32,499 fans watched the Braves win out in the three-hour and 49-minute struggle in which each manager used 17 pitchers. Braves employed five pitchers and Dodgers four.

The victory gave Braves (the lion's share in the crucial series by a margin of three games to one and put them two and one half games ahead.

Ryan's game-winning double came with one out and spoiled a magnificent relief pitching performance by Rex Barney, who had pitched shut out ball after taking over in the ninth.

Scoring the winning run from third base on a clutch hit was Phil Masi, who had belted a double off the right field wall and then taken an extra base when Dodger outfielder George Shuba fumbled the rebound.

The error did not mean much because Masi could just as easily have scored from second on the drive that Ryan drilled down the third base line into the left field corner.

Braves could thank their alright relief pitching, which yielded only four hits and no runs in the last 12 innings, for their vital victory.

After starter Nelson Potter had evened up Dodgers' two runs—one in each of the first two innings—Charley "Red" Barrett, a White, Babe Horn and Vern Bickford held Dodgers almost helpless.

The score was:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston Braves R H E

Brooklyn 3 12 2

(14 innings) 2 9 1

—United Press.

STANKY RECOVERING

New York, Aug. 23.—Boston Braves, who had just defeated Brooklyn Dodgers in a crucial series, got more good news today when the doctor said regular second baseman Eddie Stanky should be back in the lineup by September 9.

Stanky, key man in Boston's pennant plans, has been out for six weeks because of a broken ankle.

Doctor Roger T. Doyle examined Stanky's ankle today and said he was "pleased" with its condition and that Stanky will have a "sound ankle." Doyle gave the second baseman permission to go through a light workout on Tuesday and work back into condition by easy stages.

—United Press.

Mills Will Not Be Fit Until October

London, Aug. 23.—Freddie Mills, the light-heavyweight champion of the world, has been very much in the news since his title win over Gus Lesnevich.

Following the fight there have been controversial discussions as to the "long count" that Lesnevich was alleged to have taken, reports concerning Mills' health have been circulating and there has been the usual conjecture on future fights for the champion.

Offers from all parts of the world have been reaching the Mills camp, but these have had to be "turned down," including the £25,000 offer to defend the title in New York next month against Lesnevich, because of his illness which concerns undue nerve pressure "brought about by some dislocated bones in the spine."

The champion is making good progress in the hands of a manipulative surgeon and will probably resume training in October.—Reuter.

PRO CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Amsterdam, Aug. 23.—The Italians, Fausto Coppi and A. Bevilacqua, were both classified tonight for the quarter finals of the professional pursuit event in the world cycling championships here.

Coppi defeated L. Gillen of Luxembourg and Bevilacqua beat E. Peters of Holland.

Coppi's time was six minutes 28.1 seconds. Gillen had to withdraw from the course just before the end because of a flat tyre. He was then more than 30 metres behind.

Bevilacqua's time was six minutes 27.4 seconds; that of E. Peters, six minutes 35 seconds. He had a start of nearly 1½ rounds or 250 metres.

The third quarter final was won by H. Koblet, Switzerland, in six minutes 27.1 seconds, defeating A. Landeaus, France, whose time was six minutes 42.5 seconds.

Finally, Gerrit Schultz of Holland, with Coppi of Italy, favourite for the world title that is held by Coppi, defeated K. W. Nielsen of Denmark. Schultz's time was six minutes 34.2 secs. Nielsen's was six mins. 40.9 secs.

Koblet, Coppi and Bevilacqua of Italy and Schultz of Holland classified for the semi-final in the professional pursuit event to be held on Tuesday followed by the final.

Each country was allowed to enter two riders in the pursuit races.

There were two from Belgium, France, Italy, Luxembourg, Holland and Switzerland, and one each from Britain and Denmark.—Associated Press.

ST. LEGER CALLOVER

London, Aug. 23.—The three-year-old French colt My Love, winner of the Derby, retained his position as favourite for the St. Leger when the card was called over at the Victoria Club tonight.

My Love's price was 11-4. Royal, Drake was second favourite at 6-1. The Maharaja of Baroda's My Babu drifted still further in the betting, 25-1 being offered. Noor, third in the Derby, was at 13-2 and Black Tarquin, American bred, Candidate, at 15-2.

The mile and three quarters St. Leger, 1st of the year's "Triple Crown" classics, will be run on Sept. 11 at Doncaster.

SPORTING SAM



By Reg. Wootton



FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"We'll probably go pretty far on our vacation—George wants to see how well our new car can take it!"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Strip and End Play Saves Game Here

McKenney	972
KQ9	972
A96	972
J753	972
A84	972
105	972
J543	972
Q90	972
KQJ7	972
Dealer	972

Tournament—Neither vul.
South West North East
1 Pass 2 Pass
3 Pass 3 Pass
4 Pass 4 Pass
Opening—K 8

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
ALL bridge tournaments have a similar and familiar appearance. Because one sees many of the same faces at all of them. There was an exceptionally large out-of-town attendance at the recent Midwest regional championships tournament at Cincinnati, O.

I had the pleasure of playing with Mrs. R. H. Bradley in one of the events, and I liked the way she stripped today's hand out for a strip and end play. When she opened the bidding with one spade, I did not think that my hand was strong enough to bid three spades. It certainly was too weak to bid two spades, and I do not like two no trump.

So I decided to go into the two zone with a two diamond bid. When Mrs. Bradley bid two diamonds, I supported her spade bid so she could decide whether or not she wanted to play the hand at three no trump. However, she bid four spades.

When my hand went down, Mrs. Bradley saw that three no trump was cold, but at four spades she stood to lose two clubs and two diamonds unless she could make the opponents lead the diamonds. It looked a little difficult to try for a slip and end play because she could not take three rounds of trumps and have a trump left in each hand.

She let West hold the first club trick, then won the queen of clubs with the ace. Now she cashed the ace and queen of trumps and the king and ace of hearts, then ruffed the six of hearts in her own hand, thus stripping out the heart suit. The ten of clubs was led and West won. As she had hoped, West had held only two trumps.

If he continued a club now, Mrs. Bradley would be able to ruff in dummy with the king of spades and get a diamond discard from her own hand. The same thing would be true if West led a heart. West decided to lead the diamond nine, and then Mrs. Bradley had to lose only one diamond trick, making four spades.

CROSSWORD
1 and 7. To take this board around a township in against King's location. (5, 5)
2. Decay. (3)
3. Out of sight. (5)
4. Many a traveler has found this a refreshing place. (5)
5. This is a way get thrown in the Olympic Games. (4)
6. One end of a paradox. (8)
7. See at random. (5)
8. Thoroughfare. (6)

DUMB BELLS

DO YOU HAVE MATING AT YOUR CHURCH?

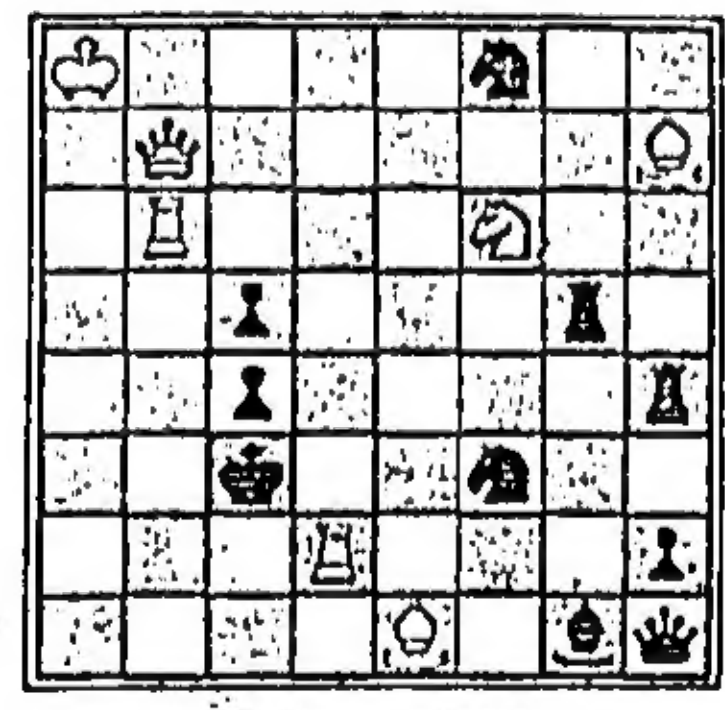


Check Your Knowledge

1. What was the original name of the Cape of Good Hope?
2. How many knights comprised King Arthur's Knights of the Round Table?
3. To become president of the United States one must be a natural born citizen, but for how many years must one have been a resident of the country?
4. Name the sons of Noah in the Old Testament.
5. Name the world's largest inland body of water.
6. Name the three famous Italian volcanoes.

(Answers on Column 5)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. BOTTACCHI
Black, 10 pieces.

White, 7 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. R-K7. 1... P-Q4; 2. Q-K6 (ch); 1... K-Q5; K5; 2. Q-B4 (ch); 1... others; 2. R-K7 (ch).

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24.

BORN on this first day of the incoming sign, Virgo, your ideal will combine with energy to make you practical and often an ideal of yourself about your own shortcomings as you are about those of others. Your ruler is Mercury, the God of Knowledge, and this gives you an innate love of learning which goes far beyond your formal schooling. Those born on the few days prior to and after the changing sign, will also inherit many of the vigorous and energetic characteristics of Leo, the outgoing sign. This gives you a powerful opportunity to achieve any goal which you may set before you. There is a strong spiritual streak in your nature. You are peace-loving and will go a long way to avoid an argument. Yet that you will let others walk all over you when it comes to a fight! But you will try a compromise before you put on the brass knuckles. You have a keen sense of humor and an inventive mind. Art, music,

literature, and architecture are some of the fields in which you will be happiest. You will never enjoy a routine job which doesn't call for brain work. If caught in such a position, break out of it at the earliest opportunity, for you will never reach the heights to which you are entitled, unless you get out on your own.

You are rather more emotional than is best for you, and it would be wise to curb this tendency at an early age. You are inclined to become moody and depressed, especially if alone too much. An early marriage to someone who understands your temperament can be a great help, and bring you lasting happiness.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Complete work begun previously and see that it is successfully accomplished before noon time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Continue yesterday's advantages and step up production to achieve a continual gain in operations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Success in romance in addition to improvement in business conditions. In fact, the tide appears to have turned.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A "clatter than ever" day. Make something special of it. It is contemplating marriage, it's a good day for it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—A time of realization for you. All your past dreams may become true if you have played your hand right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If your new idea needs promoting, then give it the works. Acclaim it from the house.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Another opportunity day. Continue yesterday's advantages and take another step up on the success ladder.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Excellent influences for good but don't become careless of detail. Accidents can happen. Don't let them.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Success brings more success. Prove the truth of this by continuing to improve your outlook, even over yesterday.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Business conferences are important especially if they have to do with publicity, advertising, or writing contracts.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—A second good day for all your activities. Make plenty of hay while the sun is shining for you!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Morning hours continue yesterday's trend. Clinch a deal before lunch-time. After that, you can slow down.

AROUND THE WORLD:

Nice: Popular French Resort

By TEMPLE MANNING

THE charm of centuries hovers with ageless grace about many of the most charming places of Southern France and the Riviera. The majority of visitors to the gay spots along the golden coast, we imagine, aren't very interested, but we have often seen large groups of visitors strolling around, guided by a hand, in the interest of ancient Roman sites. This is particularly so of Nice, the capital city of the Maritime Alps, a resort that, through the years, has attracted the quiet type, rather than the usual roulette and razzle-dazzle visitor who comes to the Riviera for a super-duper time.

Nice was founded by the inhabitants of Marseilles in the fourth century B.C., and was known to ancient Greece as Nicaea. Nice has its "Old Town" in a narrow strip of land, the Quai du Midi, which is larger than the original town.

Narrow Streets

Down around the Old Port, where children play in its narrow, crooked little streets, the buildings that have looked down on historical doings, and have been the setting for many historic episodes. In the narrow Rue Doltie is the ruin of the Lascares Palace. There remain windows, stairways and frescoes, its place in the ancient days when the family of Lascares, who was driven from his Byzantine throne in the 13th century to find a refuge at Nice, lived there.

The old market is built upon the site of the ancient wall that saw the invasions of the Saracens. Near the remaining towers of the city, the Promenade des Anglais, palm fringed, bright with flower beds, lined with sumptuous hotels and villas, is the big strolling spot. Handsome, too, is the extension of the Promenade, the Quai du Midi. But we like best the lovely Public Garden with its fountains, its grove, its swans, flowers and magnificent landscaping. Yes, Nice is a delightful place at which to relax and forget the fierce excitements of today.

OUTWARD MAILS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24
Closing Times By Air
Swatow, Foochow, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Hainan, Amoy, 3.30 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea & Train
Bangkok (Sea) 3 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung and Shanghai (Sea) 4 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 4 p.m.
Kanton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25
Closing Times By Air
Canton, (Kowloon) CPO 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, (Sea) 3 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., (reg.) 10 a.m. (ord).
Manila, P.I. Honolulu, USA and Canada, 9.30 a.m. (reg.) 10 a.m. (ord).
Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Amoy, Foochow and Swatow, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Cairo (Nairobi), Johannesburg and Marseilles via Cairo, Rome and London, (Kowloon) CPO 4.30 p.m. (GPO) 5 p.m.
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) 5 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea & Train
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 5 a.m.
Siam (Sea) 10 a.m.
Straits and Rangoon (Sea) 10 a.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 2 p.m.
Canton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.
USA, Central and South America via San Francisco (Sea) 3 p.m.
Straits (Sea) 3 p.m.
Manila, P.I. (Sea) 3 p.m.
Hollow and Fakhof via Hollow (Sea) 3 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 4 p.m.
Kanton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER

STAGE DC



Signor Shinwell's darn will right! Each time I sing da B natural da slanderous Tory Press pretenda I sing da B flat.

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

AN attempt to "hold up a postmistress" the other day ended happily. According to the report, "she was too big for him." I suppose he dropped her like a red-hot coal complaining that he was not a professional weight-lifter.

The strain of raising postmistresses slowly from the floor and holding them at arm's length above the head is beyond the ordinary man. Nor is there room in a county post office, for them to jump clear at the cry "Hup!" Talking of all that, a musician who had drunk a trombone-full of beer during an open-air concert staggered into the village post office and, seeing the postmistress behind the grille, which mistook for harpstrings, shouted, "Give us a tune, sweet one!"

The Round Pond tunnel

THE development of aircraft, which was to bring all nations closer together and make them love each other, has not had the expected results. So now all the talk is of tunnels; the old Channel tunnel idea has been revived and a Northern Ireland-Scotland project is being discussed. I have always thought that small beginnings would be best, which is why I was a pioneer of the Round Pond tunnel scheme, to help the people of Kensington to understand those of Bayswater.

Horse found in saucapan

IT has been said by a spokesman in touch with contemporary thought that you can make anything but industrial machinery out of the soybean. But seaweed seems to be a close rival. There is only one immediate danger to the scheme to use Scottish seaweed to make food, fireproof bricks and textiles, and that is that someone will invent a plastic seaweed which will not only taste nice, but will resist cold better, and make more reliable hydraulic lifts. I have long suspected that Snibbo, which reduces the risk of whooping cough and makes the teeth shine like a 10-kilowatt lamp, contains an essence of seaweed.

Oh, I say, look here!

The news came as a surprise to the 6,000,000,000,000,000 workers. (News Item).

EITHER they were all very easily surprised, or it was an extraordinarily important piece of news affecting almost everyone.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Cape of Storms. 2. Twelve. 3. Fourteen years. 4. Shem, Ham and Japheth. 5. The Caspian Sea, bounded by Russia and Iran. 6. Etna, Vesuvius and Stromboli.



FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Russian Support Of Rubber Prices

New York, Aug. 23.—The World-Telegram said today there was a two-point Soviet programme in maintaining high rubber prices despite postwar record production.

Citing the Inter-Governmental Rubber Group in London and the Commodity Exchange Incorporated, the paper said there were two clear focal points in evidence.

"These are," it said, "Malaya, where Kremlin-minded revolutionaries rise repeatedly against Colonial rule and Moscow, which for months has been feverishly stockpiling Far Eastern products." A study of rubber exports to the Soviet Union, United States and other countries form the basis of the story. Said the paper: "Russian acquisitions have been facilitated by the remarkable recovery of the Malayan industry despite Japanese occupation during the war, deterioration in equipment and endless civil strife."

The paper points out that Soviet purchases, which rose to 13,300 long tons in July alone—not counting orders from satellite nations—total so far this year 31,300 tons.

"The World-Telegram study of the rubber situation points out that as United States relations with the Soviet Union worsened, rubber purchases were increased. It adds: 'American and other governments have been sufficient to persuade Malayan growers from dumping crude rubber. These stocks totalled 725,000 long tons on June 30 compared with 745,000 for all of 1937.'"

NEW YORK MARKET
New York, Aug. 23.—Rubber futures today stended after, early ease, but on the whole business was quiet with traders holding no definite opinions in regard to further moves on the upside.

A few dealers felt that the market should do better on technical reasons or on any encouragement from the F.R.E.B., but they were wary about risking any definite predictions because of the declines in securities and the upsets in domestic commodities such as grains and cotton.

Prices closed as follows—
August 20.33 nominal
September 20.25 "
October 20.30 "
November 20.35 "
December 20.43 traded
January (1949) 20.36 nominal
February 20.38 nominal
March 20.30 traded
April 20.37 nominal
May 20.30 "
June 20.20 "
July 20.15 "
August 20.10 "
September 20.05 "
October 20.00 "
—United Press.

LONDON FUTURES
London, Aug. 23.—Prices here today closed as follows—
September (in pence per lb.) 13-1/16
October 13-1/8
November 13-1/4
December 13-1/2
January (1949) 12-15/16
March 12-1/2
—United Press.

London Stock Market

Investment Funds "Colossal"

London, Aug. 23.—Today the stock market opened with a hearty dislike of Berlin "Incidents," which threatened to carry prices to a lower level.

Business dried up in Government stocks, and prices elsewhere were moderately lower, but by noon the mood of uneasiness had passed and business was brisker towards the close, with many issues recovering.

The chief event in gilt-edged securities was the demand for British Electricity three per cent, which hit a new high level at £107-7/16. Foreign bonds were uniformly dull. German Polish seven per cent fell to £50, but closed with a loss of one point at £51. Saarbrücken four and a half per cent lost a point at £20 1/2, as did also seven per cent to £31. Chinese and Japanese issues fell on profit-taking, while Mexican five per cent eased a point to £18.

Gilt was neglected except for Royal Dutch, which was wanted and rose point to £23 1/2. Anglo-Iranian, after early weakness, closed unchanged.

CHIEF MOVEMENT
The Cape showed no enthusiasm for Kaffirs, which were generally moderately lower.

The chief movement was in the issue of Uruguayan Central Railway, which had just revised its terms of compensation for different classes of stock, and debenture holders. The new recovery was generally regarded as "not over-generous," but they are probably the best which investors could get.

Favoured Second Debenture issued four points to £105, and other issues appreciated moderately.

Funds awaiting investment are said in some quarters to be "fairly colossal," but war must move further away before the money will come out of hiding.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARES

This morning's session of the Hongkong Stock Exchange was a quiet one, and business transacted amounted to only \$72,000. Details of transactions and noon prices follow—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS	2020	2050	
HK Bank			80 @ 140
East Asia			
INSURANCES	765	765	
HK Fire	280	290	
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf (O)	130		
K. Wharf (N)	143		
Doek	293 1/2	30 1/2	
Provident	21 1/2	22	2000 @ 21 1/2
N. Ft. Wharf			
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	15 1/2	16	100 @ 15 1/2
Shal Land	5	5 3/4	500 @ 5
Reap			500 @ 5 1/2
Humphreys	10 1/2	10 1/2	
UTILITIES			
Tram	134	137	500 @ 21 1/2
S. F. (O)	22	22 1/2	
C. Light (O)			
Nuclear	24 1/2	41	
INDUSTRIALS			
Reagent	42	42 1/2	
STOLPS, ETC.			
Watson (Old)	60	61 1/2	
Watson (New)	56	57 1/2	

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

	Closing Rates	Aug. 23
Argentine Peso (Official)	US\$0.2077	
Argentine Peso (Unofficial)	2083	
Australia	3.23	
Belgium	35.50	
Canada	52.00-1/2	
Chile	52-10/16	
France	403-1/4	
Germany	302 1/2	
India	34-1/2	
Italy	232-1/4	
Japan	1000	
Peru	1040-1/4	
Portugal	200	
South Africa	275	
Sweden	2375	
Switzerland	2375	
Netherlands	300	
Venezuela	3010	
Uruguay (CN\$100,000)	6135	
Batavia	2770	
Bombay	2775	
Singapore	4725	
Hongkong	2490	

—United Press.

FOUND NOTE RATE

New York, Aug. 23.—The British Pound note was quoted in the unofficial market here today at US\$1.27/1/2-2/20.

—United Press.

COTTON PRICES Plunge Down

New York, Aug. 23.—Cotton futures today hit down from start to finish, driving nearby positions to the lowest level since March 10, while later positions also plunged to new lows.

Business of the New Orleans market on Saturday while New York was closed caused a resumption of nervous liquidation and a increased volume of hedging.

The market opened four to 13 points lower. It was kept under 2000000 pressure throughout the session, finishing at the day's bottom levels at 25 to 65 points lower.

Prices closed as follows—
August 30.57/60
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30.67/70
January (1949) 30.67/70
February 30.67/70
March 30.67/70
April 30.67/70
May 30.67/70
June 30.67/70
July 30.67/70
August 30.67/70
September 30.67/70
October 30.67/70
November 30.67/70
December 30

MAGAZINE REPORTS PLOT TO OVERTHROW CHIANG

Rumours Too Thick To Be Ignored

New York, Aug. 23.—The monthly magazine, "United Nations World," today reported "from various Chinese sources from abroad hints of the overthrow of President Chiang Kai-shek without bloodshed, if possible, and by violence if necessary."

The magazine conceded that the article was based largely on rumours, but added that "rumours have been flying too thickly to be ignored. Most specific is that on or after the October 10th anniversary of China's independence, the Hongkong group of Kuomintang members who oppose Chiang will meet with the Communists to plan a coalition government with Peiping as its capital. Connected with this report is the name of the formidable old Christian General, Feng Yu-hsiang. Marshal Feng, who has been in the United States for some time, has suddenly left."

THAKIN NU APPEALS TO COUNTRY

Co-operation In Order To Crush Violence

Rangoon, Aug. 23.—Mr Thakin Nu, Burma's Prime Minister, tonight made a country-wide appeal for whole-hearted co-operation in the Government's all-out effort to crush the "monster of violence and widespread lawlessness" which he said, is now threatening Burma.

Broadening over Rangoon radio, the Prime Minister declared that if the greed of violence is allowed to continue, Burma will return to the "dark days of 2,000 years ago" and the country will end in servitude. He said the country is fighting to prevent the disintegration of national unity and to eradicate insurrection which, he said, is responsible for panic and chaos in the country.

FORTUNES TURN

Commenting on the military mutiny, Mr Thakin Nu said that "only five per cent of Burma's armed forces turned traitor towards the State." He added that the rest are steadfastly fighting on the Government's side.

Mr Thakin Nu admitted that in the initial stages of the insurrection, the Government sustained considerable reverses. He said the scales are now definitely turned in the Government's favour.

He disclosed that the Burmese Government is now waging an all-out war on the rebels, in which modern weapons, including cannon-firing aircraft are being used.

He maintained that the Government is solidly backed by the masses including the peoples of the frontier.

CAUSE OF REBELLION

The Prime Minister declared that the rebels had launched their insurrection because the Government had refused to align itself only with Soviet Russia.

"If the rebels consider our present policy of establishing friendship with Britain and the United States abominable, or if they sincerely believe it would be to Burma's advantage to side with Soviet Russia, it war breaks out between Russia and the Anglo-Americans, the proper course would be to place their viewpoint before the masses, instead of resorting to arms," he said.

He added: "If we fail to eradicate the evil of violence, Burma cannot exist as an independent state."—Associated Press.

Rita Has Attack Of Nerves

Lisbon, Aug. 23.—Rita Hayworth is suffering from nerves, her secretary reported today when the film star arrived at suburban Estoril by automobile from Seville with Prince Ali Khan, son of the Aga Khan.

Miss Hayworth's secretary said she had selected Estoril as an ideal spot to rest and would remain here as long as she was not disturbed by curiosity seekers.

Miss Hayworth and the Prince dined informally in her apartments shortly after their arrival.—United Press.

Prisoners To Be Exchanged

New Delhi, Aug. 23.—It was officially announced tonight that an agreement had been reached between India and Pakistan for the exchange of prisoners, including those held for trial.

The announcement added persons guilty of offences committed after August 1 this year are not included in this agreement.

The exchange of prisoners is expected to be completed before mid-September.—Associated Press.



Hodge Accomplishes Mission In Korea

REPLACED BY 'AMBASSADOR

Washington, Aug. 23.—The United States today officially ended its military occupation in Korea with an announcement that Lieut.-Gen. John R. Hodge, US military commander, is turning over duties to Mr John J. Muccio, special United States representative with the rank of Ambassador.

The move was expected since the United States recognized the Korean Republic and since Syngman Rhee, Korean President, was inaugurated on August 15. Mr Muccio will have the title of senior United States representative in Korea and this marks the end of three years of occupation, but this does not mean full withdrawal of United States troops. They will remain to assist the Korean Government.

Major-Gen. John B. Coulter, former deputy commander, will take command of the United States troops which previously were under Gen. Hodge. Gen. Hodge's new assignment has not yet been announced. He was ordered to report to the Army Headquarters in Washington pending a new assignment.

President Truman, in a message to Gen. Hodge, said, "The achievement of the constitutional government in Southern Korea completes the difficult task that was given to you. As the government of this area is turned over to the Korean people, it must be a satisfying task to you as it is to our government to know that you have been largely instrumental in restoring freedom to the persecuted nation."

ENVOY'S TASK

The Army Secretary, Mr Kenneth C. Royall, and the Chief of Staff, Gen. Omar N. Bradley also extended their congratulations. Gen. Hodge has been overseas for six years except for one brief visit to the United States last year. He has been in Korea since the end of the Japanese war.

The State Department disclosed that Mr Muccio will head the Department's mission which will be assigned with the task of turning over to the new Korean government the property left by the occupation forces, training a new Korean Army and additionally turning over to the Korean former Japanese property.

The formation and building of a new army around the constabulary will be within the framework of the United Nations' resolution, which called for the creation of a security force.

Both State and Army officials were frank in saying that they expect United States troops to stay as long as it seems necessary to the United States and Koreans as a counter to the Russian training force in the north. This force is limited to 125,000. The constabulary is estimated at 20,000.

Unofficial estimates of the United States force, run to about 23,000 troops.

Mr Muccio additionally will have the job of dovetailing former occupation funds into the ECA.

Israeli Levels New Charges

Tel-Aviv, Aug. 23.—An Israel Military spokesman charged today that considerable war preparations are being made at the main combined Iraqi-Trans Jordan base at Mafrak in Trans-Jordan. There is also an RAF base at Mafrak.

He said that for the last week, the arrival of many troops and vehicles there have been reported.

The spokesman said that Arab irregulars supported by the Iraqi artillery have been shelling the Ras el Ain area, 15 kilometres east of Tel-Aviv for the last few days. He said that Israel forces have not answered.

Other sources reported that Iraqi war shelling Tel el Radara, south of Tirat Zvi in the Beisan valley. In addition Jewish sources charged the Arab Legion has been shelling the Jewish settlement of Geshor south of Lake Tiberias.—United Press.

FOOD SUPPLIES FOR REFUGEES

Canberra, Aug. 23.—Mr J. B. Chifley said today that his Australian Government has agreed to supply a quantity of wheat, cheese and butter for the relief of 337,000 Arab and Jewish refugees in Palestine as requested by United Nations Mediator Count Bernadotte.

Mr Chifley said a message from Count Bernadotte requested the commodities be made available immediately. Many of the refugees were on the point of starvation and 30 per cent were children under five years old.

Mr Chifley said the Government had agreed to supply the commodities in the shortest possible time. This would be part of Australia's post UNRRA contribution of £4,000,000 already allocated.—Associated Press.

WARREN'S CATCH

Miss Nina Warren proudly displays three grunions caught by her father, Governor Earl Warren of California, shortly after midnight at Malibu Beach, Calif. Left to right are: Miss Dorothy Warren, Mrs Warren, Misses Virginia and Nina Warren, the Governor and their hosts, Mr and Mrs Frank Lyons.—AP Picture.

To Discuss Kashmir And Hyderabad

London, Aug. 23.—The Indian High Commissioner, Mr Krishna Menon will leave by plane on Friday to confer with the Premier, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, on the Kashmir and Hyderabad situations and developments concerning the impending Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference, it was learned authoritatively today.

The informants said Mr Menon planned to go to India last week but delayed his departure pending the return of Mr Clement Attlee, British Prime Minister, from his holiday in Ireland.

They said Mr Menon planned to stay in New Delhi for only one week and return here.

SIGNIFICANT VISIT

Informed sources believed Mr Menon's visit to India is highly significant coinciding with the Pakistan and Hyderabad Commonwealth conference, the Indian nation's African dispute and India's sudden withdrawal of British personnel from Pakistan.

It was reported earlier in New Delhi and Karachi that the Indian and Pakistan Prime Ministers would leave next month for the Prime Ministers' conference and the opening of the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on September 21.

It is considered likely they would meet Mr Attlee before going to Paris and return to London after a week in the French capital, to attend a full-dress Commonwealth conference in October.—United Press.

Philip's Sister Visiting England

London, Aug. 23.—Princess Philip's Germanic sister, Princess Theodora of Baden, who was not invited to her brother's wedding with Princess Elizabeth, arrived by plane from Athens on Sunday night for her first visit to Britain since before the war.

The British press said the Princess hoped to visit Philip and Princess Elizabeth, who are at Balmoral in Scotland.

She will visit her son, Prince Max, at Gordonstown, Prince Philip's old school in Scotland.—Associated Press.

Queens ALHAMBRA

AIR-CONDITIONED

— NEXT CHANGE —



WHAT A HUNK OF MAN!

Madeleine Carroll - Stirling Hayden

BAHAMA PASSAGE

IN TECHNICOLOR

A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

STAR

17 Hankow Road, Kowloon.

— TO-DAY ONLY —

2.30, 5.10, 7.20 & 9.30 p.m.

HELD OVER FOR ANOTHER DAY

WARNER BROS. PRESENT

ANTHONY ADVERSE

THE TRAIL OF THUNDER

THAT THE WORLD COULD NOT FORGET

TO-MORROW "SHOW BUSINESS"

Starring: Eddie CANTOR • Joan DAVIS

COMING TO MAJESTIC

STEWART VALERIE GRANGER-HOBSON

BLANCHE FURY

CLAUDE RAINS

TO-MORROW

AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 p.m.

Wanchai Road, Wanchai

A BOY BETRAYED BY LOVE

DEFIES THE WORLD!

ROBERT AND RAYMOND HAXIM

HENRY FONDA • BARBARA BEL GEDDES

VINCENT PRICE • ANN DYORAK

THE LONG NIGHT

AN ANATOLE LITVAK Production

TO-MORROW • Barbara STANWYCK • Van HEFLIN in

"THE STRANGE LOVE OF MARTHA IVERS"

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

1-3 Wyndham Street, Hongkong

Published daily (afternoon).

Price, 20 cents per edition.

Subscription: \$620 per month.

Postage: China and Macao, \$120 per month; U.K., British Possessions and other countries, \$3.00 per month.

News contributions always welcome, should be addressed to the Editor, business communications and advertisements to the General Manager.

Telephones: 28015, 28016, 28017.

PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view

in the Morning Post Building.

ORDERS BOOKED.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

Advertisers are requested to note that not less than 24 hours notice prior to the day of publication should be given for all commercial display advertisements, change of copy etc. Notices and classified advertisements will be received up to 10 a.m. and urgent notices until noon on day of issue, Saturdays not later than 0930.

POSITIONS WANTED

YOUNG AMERICAN—age 23, now working for the U.S. Navy. Desires permanent employment with private concern in Hongkong. Can furnish best of references and has two years' college in business and business administration. Has been in the business of selling of food-stuffs, sundries etc. both wholesale and retail for at least nine years. Will consider any reasonable offer. Contact can be made with Gerald W. Lucas D.A.C. c/o U.S. Army, 24th Corp. Hqs., 105-800, Seoul, Korea, or Hudson Hotel, Send cables or letters collect.

TUITION GIVEN

BALLROOM DANCING—"Made Easy" for beginners. "Advanced Variations" for experienced dancers. Tango, Jitterbug (Enquiries 1-3 p.m.)—Tony Hudson, 512 China Building.

MISCELLANEOUS

ARTIFICIAL Flowers. Ladies do not make a rare chance to learn how to make artificial flowers. The full course lasts only one month. Details may be obtained daily 10.00 a.m.—2.00 p.m. at 3A, Wyndham Street, top floor.

FOR SALE

JUST PUBLISHED! New edition of Weights and Measurements of Cargo exported from Hongkong and South China compiled by the Customs Authorities. 100 from the South China Morning Post.

ON SALE "Food and Flowers" Nos. 1 and 2 by Dr G. A. C. Herklotz. Over thirty illustrations of local flowers and fruits. Price six dollars. Obtainable at S. C. M. Post.

PRISONER OF WAR Camp Life in Hongkong. Just published. Stories by A. V. Skvortsov in attractive colour. Price \$20. On sale at S. C. M. Post, Ltd.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

MAY BE BOOKED AT THE EVERGREEN STORE CORNER OF NATHAN AND JORDAN ROADS, KOWLOON.

CASTLESTONE FINE STATIONERY. Three pleasing styles in boxes of 15 envelopes and 25 sheets notepaper. \$3.00 per box, obtainable at S. C. M. Post.

FORD'S BRITISH BLOTTING PAPER. White, in sheets 17 1/2" x 22 1/2" cut to any size, 20 sheets per sheet, \$10.00 per 100. "S. C. M. Post."

OFFICE STATIONERY. Letter Heads, Memorandum Forms, Visiting Cards, Envelopes etc. Orders now taken, "S. C. M. Post."

FIELD IDENTIFICATION and Note Book. "The Birds of Hongkong" by Dr G. A. C. Herklotz, illustrated by 76 line drawings. \$7.50. "S. C. M. Post."

ON SALE "Vegetable Cultivation in Hongkong" by Dr G. A. C. Herklotz. Over 200 pages, drawings. Price \$12. Obtainable at S. C. M. Post.

WILL FORMS, Power of Attorney Forms, Tenancy Agreement Forms on sale at S. C. M. Post, Ltd.

They Answered the Call

Have You?

Send your donation to the

HONGKONG WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Hon. Treasurers

Low, Bingham & Matthews

Mercantile Bank Bldg.

Printed and published by TANG SENG PANG FRANKLIN for and on behalf of South China Morning Post Limited at 1-3 Wyndham Street, City of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong.